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# NEWS SCENE

## Manitoba Chiefs move cautiously

by Brian Savage



The move is on, but caution seems to be the byword for Manitoba Native leaders as they slowly explore life without Indian Affairs.

The caution shown by Manitoba chiefs is explained by Assembly of Manitoba Chiefs media spokesperson Bruce Spence.

"At the last assembly in mid-June there was a draft framework agreement presented to the chiefs for their perusal. The chiefs looked at it for three days and decided to send it back to the special committee struck for revisions.

"They did not feel that the wording to protect the inherent right of self-government and treaty rights was strong enough and should be given more emphasis."

Spence says the joint consultation committee, made up of government and Indian Affairs officials and the executive directors of the eight tribal councils of Manitoba, along with the legal counsel and executive director of the AMC, has revised the document and it will be presented to the chiefs at the next special assembly, scheduled for the end of this month.

According to Spence the first assembly on this topic, held in April of this year, gave "a distinct message from the chiefs that the committee members have to be fully informed, so any decision has to be made through the consensus of the committee."

What Spence calls "a very strong committee consultation" has already started in some areas, such as Island Lake and the four First Nations in that region and at least five such meetings have now been held.

The time line for this process is something of a concern as political realities can shift.

"The Grand Chief (Phil Fontaine) would like things to move along as quickly as possible, and he's set a goal of three years," says Spence. "But he's received messages from the chiefs, the Elders and the committees that we'll do things one step at a time, and not to rush things."

"The reason the Grand Chief tried to set a goal of three years was that you don't want (the process) to drag on for 10 or 15 years."

Though agendas may change and the whole process be wiped out, the consensus is that that danger is preferable to rushing into any sort of

agreement with hidden flaws.

"If we have to step back and look at things we will, and that is what happened with the draft agreement," says Spence.

As far as Indian Affairs operating in Manitoba, it's "business as usual" for them, according to the Assembly spokesperson.

Spence is philosophical when it comes to changing Indian Affairs.

"It takes a while for the minister's message to sink in at the regional level, and you have to consider the labour unions: they want to protect their jobs, and that's another hurdle to be jumped."

Still, says Spence, the belief that Indian Affairs should be dismantled "is a good idea, everybody agrees on that; this is an idea that runs across Canada. We don't need government bureaucrats telling us how to run our lives. It's high time we got this monkey off our backs — but how do you do it? Right now we're feeling our way along."

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Hines Creek

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## Outside input needed for flight rules

by Dale Stelter

The Innu of Labrador have said that an independent agency, not the federal Defence Department, should assist in making rules for low-level military training flights.

On July 28th, Daniel Ashini of the Innu Nation released a report which claims that there are 130 flaws in a proposal by the Defence Department to almost double the training flights over Labrador and eastern Quebec.

The flights are conducted by members of the Northern Atlantic Treaty Organization, under a

ten-year agreement expiring in 1996.

Ashini said that the Defence Department cannot be expected to do an objective study of flight training which it promotes very actively and participates in. He was quoted by the Canadian Press as saying "It's time this process was turned over to an independent body that can actually do an objective and proper analysis of what is involved here."

A report released by the Defence Department in April proposed increasing the number of low-level flights around CFB Goose Bay, in Labrador, from 8,000 per year to 15,000. The report also suggested that the training area should be

increased from 100,000 square kilometres to 130,000 sq. km. The report was prepared by a consulting firm from Nova Scotia.

The Innu, the Quebec Montagnais, and other critics say the flights disturb caribou and disrupt the nesting habits of waterfowl.

The Innu report, which is over 500 pages long, says that there has not been sufficient research into the environmental effects of conducting flights in the proposed wider training area. The report also states there has been no assessment of the effects upon efforts by the Innu to increase tourism and outfitting.

The federal environmental assessment review office will decide this month if public hearings should be conducted on the Defence Department proposal.



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## Woman dies in police custody

by Ryan Edwards

A Native woman recently died in RCMP custody in Shamattawa in Manitoba. The death was the third time in under 18 months that a Native has died in custody in that province after being arrested as a result of drinking.

The *Winnipeg Free Press* reports that Shamattawa RCMP face an internal review for arresting Debra Catharine Redhead, a 22-year-old mother of two, after a drinking party and domestic dispute at her home on the Shamattawa reserve. Redhead, who was seven months pregnant, died in jail on July 24th, of head injuries. The RCMP stated Redhead did not bear any outward signs of wounds, but have confirmed she was locked up because they thought she was unconscious because of alcohol.

The Shamattawa reserve is located about 750 kilometres northeast of Winnipeg.

In January of last year, a 32-year-old Native hanged himself with his own belt in an RCMP holding cell in Shamattawa, after having been arrested for impairment.

The *Free Press* also reports that in July of last year, Lazarus Peter Head died in hospital after striking his head while struggling with a band constable at The Pas RCMP detachment. Head was to have been locked up in a cell to sober up, after being arrested for being drunk and disorderly.



Dr. Peter Markestein, the chief medical examiner of Manitoba, said that the Head case, and subsequent inquest into the death, highlighted the need for better performance from the police. He said the Head inquiry recommended that RCMP receive training to tell the difference between illness and apparent intoxication.

A Winnipeg RCMP Criminal Operations Staff Sergeant said that RCMP training officers are working on implementation of the recommendation into training of police, but that it is not yet part of the system.

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# NEWS BRIEFS

## Another suicide on Pikangikum reserve

The long string of suicides that have affected the remote northern Ontario reserve of Pikangikum for several years continued early this month, when a 29-year old father of two hanged himself.

According to the Canadian Press, this year there have been five suicides, and more than 50 attempted suicides, in the community of 1,600 people. Alcohol-related deaths, and an increasing number of people who are sniffing gas are also part of the situation the community faces. A team of 29 volunteer crisis workers organized by Temus Nate, a suicide counsellor, has been counselling young people and helping residents deal with their grief.

When Indian Affairs Minister Ron Irwin visited the community earlier this year, the band asked for more land, better housing, and funding to help with the establishment of a healing centre.

## Jay Treaty incident clogs border crossing

Natives clogged an international border between Sault Ste. Marie and Michigan late last month, to protest what they claim is a violation of their treaty right to cross the Canada-United States border without inspection or taxes.

Part of the Jay Treaty of 1794, signed between the U.S. and British North America to set the boundary between the two, guaranteed free passage across the border for Natives without being subjected to the inspection or taxes. That part of the Jay Treaty has never been ratified by Canada.

On the morning of July 30th, 68 cars displaying a borderless map of North America were allowed through American customs and immigration into the U.S., without incident. The shopping trip was led by the Association of Iroquois and Allied Indians.

On the return trip, officials with Canadian customs closed down three booths, leaving only one open, to ensure that all of the protesters

went through the same booth. This also caused other traffic to be held up.

The Natives had been told to say to customs officials that they were of North American Indian citizenship, and were exercising their rights according to the Jay Treaty.

Chris McCormick, the Association of Iroquois and Allied Indian's anti-tax coordinator, was quoted by the Canadian Press as saying, "This is not a demonstration, it is an exercise of a treaty right which is supposedly protected by the Canadian Constitution."

## Federal minister supports Aboriginal justice system

Allan Rock, the federal Minister of Justice, has endorsed the idea of a justice system for Natives.

Rock told the Canadian Press that "I think we may find there has to be a separate system for Aboriginal peoples as part of the inherent right of self-government. What it will deal with, I think we have to wait and negotiate."

Rock acknowledged that the idea raises many questions, and that many non-Aboriginal people may object to it. However, he pointed out that a number of reserves have undertaken projects which utilize Aboriginal culture, and which appear to be working.

Rock referred to the Poundmaker Band, located near Saskatoon, as an example. There, an offender may, before formal charges are laid and the court process starts up, take his or her case to the justice commission set up by the band. If the case is accepted by the commission, and the victim in the case agrees, the offender and the victim and the commissioners sit together in a circle and try to resolve the issue.

John Briggs, a lawyer with the Assembly of First Nations, said that the Canadian justice system emphasizes punishment and retribution. This is contrary to Aboriginal culture, and Natives do not feel they belong in the justice system.



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## Lubicon talks hit roadblock

by Dale Stelter

Attempts to renew negotiations on resolving the land rights dispute of the Lubicon Lake Cree of northern Alberta have been stalled. The Lubicons have been trying to obtain a settlement of their land rights for about 55 years.

The band disagrees with the terms proposed by Indian Affairs Minister Ron Irwin in a July 11 letter to Lubicon Chief Bernard Ominayak.

In the letter, Irwin wrote that he and Justice Minister Allan Rock have been authorized to appoint a federal negotiator who will be responsible for achieving agreement-in-principle on "as many as possible of the issues which arise in the claim of your First Nation under Treaty No. 8 or for program benefits."

Irwin states that he and Rock have decided that the negotiator should be a person from outside the federal government.

The Lubicons maintain that they were never included under Treaty 8. They also say Irwin's proposal would require them to cede their unextinguished Aboriginal land rights as a precondition of settlement talks.

The Lubicons add that Irwin's letter dismisses their proposal that issues which cannot be resolved through negotiation should be referred to an independent, binding three-person tribunal. The tribunal was originally suggested by former Alberta premier Don Getty, and has been supported by individuals and organizations from across Canada and around the world.

Irwin also wrote that he has "serious concerns about the prospect of

resolving questions about continuing Aboriginal rights or any compensation based upon that matter through negotiations. These are fundamental legal issues that remain in dispute which in our view are likely only to be resolved in the courts."

The Lubicons have replied that they spent fourteen fruitless years, ending in 1988, seeking legal redress in the Canadian courts, and were stonewalled at every step of the way.

In a July 15 letter to Irwin, Chief Ominayak stated that "You indicate in your 7-11 letter that 'the federal government is prepared to proceed largely on the basis (proposed by the Lubicons)'. However you have in fact flatly rejected all Lubicon proposals for re-starting talks..."

Lubicon band advisor Fred Lennarson pointed to federal government bureaucrats as being responsible for the impasse. He said that "Mr. Irwin has been struggling for control with the bureaucrats he inherited from the Mulroney government, and it appears that he's lost that struggle."



## Urban reserve in Yorkton closer to being created

by Ryan Edwards

The creation of an urban reserve in Yorkton, northeast of Regina, continues to move closer to reality. Late last month, the city council in Yorkton voted to supply services to land that is situated within the city and owned by the Sakimay Indian Band. The band is located near Grenfell, east of Regina.

The proposed agreement, which is for a period of ten years, received first reading and was to receive second and third readings at a later date.

The Regina *Leader-Post* reports that the bylaw will require the city to supply regular municipal services to the education centre of the Yorkton Tribal Council, and that:

- under the terms of the proposed contract, the property and any improvements are to be used for educational purposes. If the Sakimay Band wants to alter the purpose for which the land is used, it must apply to the city for rezoning of the property

- the agreement recognizes that the city does not have power to apply personal or property taxes on the land. While it also recognizes that the band has exclusive jurisdiction for enacting laws pertaining to the land, those laws must be compatible with city by-laws and be submitted to the city for comment and consultation.

Both the Natives and city officials said that negotiations for the agreement went smoothly.

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## B.C. gov't backs down on cigarette packaging by Brian Savage

A recent attempt to clamp down on cigarette smuggling has backfired and left the ND government in Victoria red-faced.

The Tobacco Marking program called for different packaging on cigarettes destined for sale on reserves as opposed to packages for sale off-reserve.

Green plastic strips placed around cigarettes were to indicate that taxes must be applied while



a clear strip would be found on packages that were tax-exempt.

Native retailers formed the Intertribal Retailers Association and quickly led a fight against the proposed legislation. Elizabeth Cull, the finance minister quickly imposed a moratorium on the proposal.

Referring to the Tobacco Marking Program, Phil Atkinson, a government spokesperson, called the initiative "an oversight, we just didn't define it clearly enough. Cigarettes not subject to provincial tax would be marked differently and cigarettes sold on reserve are exempt from tobacco taxes. The Intertribal Retailers Association said that they were the only ones who sell these tax exempt cigarettes so in fact you're marking these cigarettes for Aboriginals and these for non-Aboriginals and it's discriminatory."

Atkinson observed that defenders of the initiative pointed out that there are a number of outlets such as the diplomatic corps, embassies, "and others in the government," who are also tax exempt but "in the real world it did look discriminatory based on race."

According to Atkinson "letters came in" and the finance minister agreed to talk to Native representatives. Their concerns included not just racial but logistical difficulties in enforcing the legislation which would not be applied to old stocks of cigarettes.

Even more surprising was the decision to mark only the two most popular brands of cigarettes.

"The minister (Elizabeth Cull) met with Native representatives and said we had jumped too soon on this and put a moratorium on the legislation."

While the moratorium has run out, with the summer break in place at the provincial legislature the likelihood of the legislation taking effect seems dim at this time.

## IAA upset over sale of sweetgrass

by John Copley

Sweetgrass is sacred. So are sweetgrass smudges.

Indian Association of Alberta (IAA) members are upset that it's being sold in a variety of Edmonton and area stores. Recently elected IAA president, Tom Cardinal, says the sale of these products is a "no-no situation ... they're sacred." He also said that it is his intention to ask the stores to refrain from selling the products.

Tom Sawchuk, owner of The Fort Door, says he's been selling the product for 15 years and has no intention of stopping. "This is my livelihood," said Sawchuk. "I'm going to continue to sell sweetgrass." Saying that he understood the religious importance, Sawchuk mentioned that other locations outside of the capital city also sell the products and wondered why they weren't also being targeted. Sawchuk said that this wasn't the first encounter he's had with an unhappy public. He said that he's also been challenged by customers who feel it's wrong for him to sell items that include furs and ivory.

Viola Mah, manager of Alikatu, another shop that sells a variety of incenses, says she understands the religious significance of sweetgrass and does not sell it. She said recently that

though she was unaware of the religious significance of the smudges, that she'd stop selling them as well. "If it's a question of religious sensitivity," said Mah, "we'll discontinue selling it."

One of Mah's staff is a Metis who is attending the Native Studies program at the University of Alberta. She consulted this person about the significance of the sweetgrass product—and that's why she doesn't sell it. But, of the smudges, she said, "My understanding—and I could be wrong—is that it is not as loaded with meaning as sweetgrass."

IAA secretary Helen Gladue is also unhappy that stores are selling the sweetgrass products. She said the "white man has done enough damage to our culture. We'd better not come in contact with these people, because they might get themselves out of business." Saying that she planned to take the matter to the IAA's next meeting, Gladue said that "you don't just go and get sweetgrass and smudges because you feel like it. There's a formula that you have to follow."

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# Alberta Native News celebrates 10th Anniversary

## ...Self Reliance the Key

by Deborah Shatz

Alberta Native News celebrates its Tenth Anniversary of independent publishing this month — a milestone in Native communications.

Throughout its decade long history the paper has filled a void by providing a much needed source of non-government sponsored news, otherwise unavailable in the Native community. They have proven that with hard work, vision, editorial and financial responsibility, they can produce an excellent communication vehicle without depending on government grants.

According to publisher and founder Dave Moser the newspaper's no-grants philosophy has been key to the success of Alberta Native News.

"Government hand-outs are an enormous problem in this country," says Moser. "They breed dependency and low self-esteem. Self-reliance does not come from welfare, grantsmanship or deficit funding. It comes from hard work, paying your own way and responsible spending."

Moser is proud that Alberta Native News has never taken a penny in government funding. "Newspapers should not be government funded," maintains Moser. "That's media welfare. Funded papers are generally required to preach the party line. They can be critical of government to a point but they cannot really act as a watchdog for the public. Direct government grants put newspapers in a conflict of interest as far as I can see."

So how has Alberta Native News succeeded



where so many others have failed? Hard work and responsible spending says Moser.

"Newspapers are not built on grantsmanship, they are built on salesmanship. Money obtained from advertising and subscriptions is much more precious than money obtained from subsidies. Because it is so hard to come by, naturally the paper spends it in a more responsible way, ensuring the viability of the newspaper."

From the outset, Alberta Native News has been dedicated to the preservation of Indian Culture and Tradition. To this end they have used traditional Native Art to depict a vast heritage and cultural pride. Moser uses the newspaper as a vehicle to promote both established and emerging Aboriginal artists. It also serves to inform and educate both the Native and non-Native public about current issues as well as to highlight positive advances in Native education, business, health and the arts.

The newspaper is extremely well circulated with 12,000 copies printed and sent free of charge to First Nations, government offices, businesses and related agencies throughout Alberta, Saskatchewan, Manitoba and the Northwest Territories. There is also an established and growing list of subscribers who for a nominal fee receive

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Old problems are resurfacing at the Enoch First Nations, located just a few miles west of Edmonton. For the second time in just two years, the band is experiencing problems with trucks dumping industrial waste on reserve land. Early in 1992, an investigation conducted by both the Department of Indian Affairs and Health and Welfare Canada, determined that a landfill site and tire dump were operating without legal sanction or proper permits. The result was that former chief Jerome Morin was ordered to close his site down.

Now another investigation is underway. Environment Canada is at the helm this time and senior environment health officer, Surinder Grewal, said his department is "waiting for a report on what the material is composed of."

The current interest comes after an unidentified local resident spotted an unfamiliar substance in a ravine that many say has been the site of several dumpings over the past weeks. The source said that his fear was that the reserve's water system could be infiltrated with toxic substances.

Several companies have agreements with Enoch and are permitted to dump on the reserve. Among them are Alberta Vacuum Industries Ltd. and Aqua Clean Mobile Wash Service. In a recent interview the owner of Alberta Vacuum Industries, Jim Ebberts, a resident of the reserve, blamed council for the lack of adequate security around the site. He said a gate that was designed to be kept locked is often left open and that he felt "it awfully suspicious that people could just walk in there and go on federal land and dump." He added that though members had brought their concerns to council, they had been brushed off. Ebberts said he was asked to stop dumping after it was discovered that someone had dumped oil on the premise. He maintains that he has always honoured his agreement not to "put any junk" in the dump. "We wouldn't dump anything that was harmful to the environment," he emphasized.

Ebberts said that his company would report anyone they felt was dumping illegally. He said that he felt that "kind of nonsense costs everyone in the long run."

Enoch chief, Howard Peacock, who has been criticized for his lack of concern and his lack of effort to bring an end to illegal dumping, was unavailable for comment.

## Natives delay B.C. ferry

by Ryan Edwards

Natives on British Columbia's Kuper Island recently delayed a ferry in protest of being crowded off the boat. The ferry was bound for Chemainus.

According to Laura Sylvester, a councillor for the Penelakut Band, during the summer there is often little or no room for people from Kuper Island on the ferry to Chemainus. She said that the problem is a result of extra people going to summer camps on another island, Thetis Island, and of the B.C. Ferry Corporation using a smaller ferry in the summer. The corporation operates on a first come, first served basis.

On the morning of July 29, 25 vehicles and over 100 people were present at Kuper Island to board the 11:30 p.m. third sailing of the ferry Klitsa. However, there was no room on the boat. The protesters sat on the ramp, and for two hours refused to let the ferry leave.

The boat's captain also refused to set sail until the number of passengers was reduced to 195.

Laura Sylvester told the Victoria *Times-Colonist* that "We pay like everyone else and we can't seem to get the ferry service we need no matter how hard we try, especially in the summer." She added that past talks with the B.C. Ferry Corporation have not resulted in solutions.

A spokeswoman with the corporation said that the Klitsa carries four less cars—26—than the ferry used in the winter, the Kahloke, and that both boats can carry 195 passengers. She said that the Kahloke was put onto another route for the summer, and the Klitsa is the only boat available for the Chemainus-Kuper-Thetis route. She told the *Times-Colonist* "We are willing to discuss a revised schedule or something that can be of help but we can't substitute a vessel because we do not have one."

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# Land Claims

## Manitoba band signs \$16.5 million Treaty

by Nick Martin and Glen Mackenzie

Chief Peter YellowQuill's signature was worth \$16.5 million this month—and also five bucks. As YellowQuill signed an historic land claims agreement for his Long Plain First Nation, band members lined up nearby to receive their annual \$5 treaty payment from the Crown.

It's about time the Queen anted up more than \$5, joked YellowQuill later.

The annual treaty payment each band member receives is unchanged since his great-great-grandfather signed the original pact with Ottawa in 1871, he pointed out.

An elaborate ceremony contained elements of the early treaty days—such as the gift of blankets bestowed on government officials, including Liberal MP Elijah Harper (Churchill), who stood in for Indian Affairs Minister Ron Irwin.

YellowQuill said the plan is that the band will farm some land itself, growing potatoes and cereal grain, and rent out the rest. Some land may be bought and set aside if it has special spiritual meaning to his people, the chief said.

To commemorate the occasion, the band council office, health centre and every other facility on the reserve was closed as virtually the entire community took in the party-like atmosphere.

Long Plains, 14 kilometres southwest of Portage la Prairie, Manitoba, has been in intense negotiations with Ottawa for two years to settle land claims outstanding since the band's original treaty with Ottawa in 1871.

Long Plain is only the fifth of 26 Indian bands in Manitoba, with validated land claims to receive a cash settlement. The other four bands are in the northeastern Island Lakes First Nation, Harper's home.

Harper said he could not speculate when the 21 other claims will be resolved. However, senior federal officials predicted in June that all 21 could be settled within 24 months.



The \$16.5 million Long Plain settlement covers about 11,000 hectares beyond its current reserve that the band has claimed was its due under the 1871 agreement, YellowQuill said.

And the chief said he believes the band is now entitled to many more millions as compensation for being deprived of treaty lands. He said negotiations began Tuesday night for compensation for the 123 years the band did not enjoy the use of that disputed land. Long Plain will be asking \$70 to \$80 million in compensation, which includes 123 years worth of interest, he said.

Achieving land claim treaty settlements with First Nations usually involves more research than confrontation, Ray Hatfield, regional director of lands and trust services for the Indian Affairs Department, said yesterday.

Hatfield, who said he played a small role in the Long Plain agreement, said the government often needs help from a First Nation in determining things like how many people are entitled to some compensation under a treaty.

He said the treaties are generally clear on what land is involved, but further research is sometimes needed in areas like mineral and water rights.

Hunting and fishing rights aren't part of the talks, he noted.

"We try to have a non-adversarial environment and are committed to fulfilling our obligations," Hatfield said.

He said settlements involve land, cash and sometimes both—depending on what a First Nation wants.

Hatfield said the treaty isn't precedent-setting, pointing out that the governments of Sas-

katchewan and Alberta have settled several, and in Manitoba four Island Lake settlements were signed in March.

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## North Slave interim land withdrawals approved

Interim land withdrawals for the Dogrib Comprehensive Land Claim in the North Slave region of the Northwest Territories have recently received Governor in Council approval.

The federal government and the government of the Northwest Territories have agreed to withdraw approximately 13,000 square kilometres of crown land centring around the communities of

Rae Lakes, Snare Lake, Rae-Edzo and Wah Ti (formerly Lac La Martre). The land withdrawal is an interim measure during the negotiation of a comprehensive land claim with the Dogrib in the North Slave region.

The Dogrib Treaty 11 Council has been negotiating with the federal government on behalf of approximately 2,100 Dogrib people since the fall of 1993.

Extensive staking and exploration activity in the North Slave region over the past two years

lead the Council to seek interim land protection during the negotiation of their comprehensive land claim. The Dogrib want to ensure that during land claim negotiations, no new interests are created in areas near their communities and the culturally important area of Messa Lake.

The territorial and federal governments and the Dogrib are working toward enacting a comprehensive land claim agreement and a self-government agreement within the next two to three years. The withdrawal order will remain in effect until September 30, 1996 or upon completion of Dogrib land selection should this occur sooner.



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## INUIT OUT OF IT

by Eddie Kalasik

A small hand touched the child's shoulder.  
The kid seemed a bit bolder  
Than his little brother's brittle composure.  
"Don't cry, they're full of lies,  
The only time they'll stop to think is if we die."

Arm in arm they walked towards the Eskimo Inn.  
The lobby would be warm,  
But entry required chlam.

The little one once again began a sniffling cry.  
"No, no," gasped his brother.  
"It may be warm for now but it will quickly turn to qigsaq."

They picked up the pace.

What a race!

Two small boys rushing for shelter  
As the little one's pants began to freeze.

Up the stairs they struggled  
And into the lobby they huddled.

"Out! Out!", yelled a fat old clerk.



Slowly, they turned and left through the misty door.

At the bottom of the stairs

Was a well paid parka clad lady

Who ushered them into a waiting S.S. car.

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(Note: qigsaq means "something frozen"  
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# Rae Lakes Dogrib Attain Band Status

by Brian Savage

In early July, Chief Henry Gon of Rae Lakes was presented with a Ministerial Order, which is the final approval of Band Status for the community. Rae Lakes was formerly a sub-band of the Dogrib Rae Band.

Ron Irwin, Minister of Indian Affairs sent his congratulations to Rae Lakes on attaining Band status. "The separation of the Rae Lakes Band from the Dogrib Rae Band will allow the Band to establish itself as a separate entity and to participate as an equal partner in current land claims negotiations with the federal government."

Chief Henry Gon is pleased that the new Band has been created and they are now full partners, thereby receiving their own Band Support Funding. "We are looking forward to administering our own affairs and dealing directly with the federal government," said Chief Gon.

The creation of the new band is the first step toward self-sufficiency and taking control of their own destiny.

Prior to achieving its own band status the 250-member Rae Lakes band were dependent on monies from the Dogrib Band. "They controlled the core funding," says Chief Gon, who adds that the Dogrib Band "supported us when we created our own band. Funding will now go from Ottawa to our own office."

That office has yet to be set up, however, and the chief acknowledges the band has a lot of work to do before its administrative structure will be in place.



"First of all we'd like to workshop with DIAND," says Chief Gon. "To meet with them, access resource people and discuss budgets."

Such topics as employment and housing "will be discussed after we get our office in place, and that depends on how fast we work."

According to the chief there are "lots" of bands being created in the region with Snare Lake possibly being the next to achieve official status.

The chief sees nothing but positive steps for the band in the future. "It's good for the band to directly deal with the government departments. It was a long process and it was hard on the people. They didn't understand and there had to be translations and a lot of legwork for the public to know what we were saying and what would happen. When the public realized what we were saying it was good for it."

Rae Lakes is situated on the interior chain of lakes between Great Slave and Great Bear Lakes in the NWT, approximately 177 air kilometres northwest of Yellowknife.

Rae Lakes is the third community in the past two years to attain Band status. West Point First Nation achieved full Band status on March 31, 1994, and Colville Lake First Nation, on

April 22, 1993. The Rae Lakes Band is affiliated with and is now a full member of the Dogrib Treaty 11 Council.

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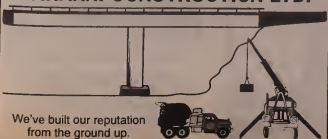
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The contract which was awarded to IDC by the Department of Indian and Northern Affairs under the Arctic Environment Strategy will train and employ more than thirty Northerners, the majority of whom will be Inuvialuit. The work will be carried out by ten subcontractors from the communities of Paulatuk, Tuktoyaktuk, Yellowknife, Inuvik and Aklavik in the Northwest Territories.

"The withdrawal of spending in the DEW Line, North Warning System, and oil and gas exploration in the Western Arctic require IDC to develop new business opportunities. These contracts demonstrate that new markets, such as environmental services can begin to replace the decline in business from the military and oil and gas companies," said IDC Chairman, Dennie Lennie.

The work will include the disposal of the buildings, and over 5000 dispersed barrels. In addition, IDC will be responsible for the more complex aspects of environmental reclamation such as stabilizing existing land fills, and handling and removing PCB's, asbestos, heavy metals, petroleum, oil and lubricants from this site.

"These contracts reflect IDC's strategy to target a growing number of business opportunities in the environmental sector. IDC's business plan is to export the cold temperature environmental expertise developed in the N.W.T. to other circumpolar markets," explained Mr. Lennie. IDC's environmental contracts create more than forty seasonal employment opportunities, however, they only partially offset last year's revenue from defense and oil and gas contracts.

The subcontractors to be used in the Horton River project include: the Tuktoyaktuk Community Corporation, the Paulatuk Community Corporation, Avati Ltd. of Yellowknife, which is an environmental services company jointly owned by Nunasi Corporation and IDC, Storr and Sons



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The Matolya Youth Sportsfest was held at the Lau Wel'Naw Tribal School in Saanichton, British Columbia, from August 1-5. The event involved over 300 Native youth competing in a variety of sporting activities including soccer, softball, and a number of track and field events.

In early July, the NPC sponsored a series of clinics to have Aboriginal youth trained and certified to officiate at the Sportsfest. It is a NPC goal to create a legacy that will see Native youth trained and certified in all areas of officiating for these future events.

The Tribal Journeys Canoe Quest was launched August 4, to arrive in Victoria for the opening ceremonies August 18 (see story page 16).

The Traditional Coast Salish War Canoe Races were held August 6 and 7. This traditional event has been a part of First Nations history from the early 1800s and was an annual event until the mid 1900s. The NPC has recently sought to restore this historical tradition on an annual basis. Because the cedar tree plays such a big part in First Nations lives and is very sacred, each canoe is traditionally dug out of one large red cedar tree. This thrilling event was held at the Tsartlip Village in Brentwood Bay with 500 participants, including people from Eastern Canada (Mohawk Nation) to New Zealand (Maori Nation). Spectators were delighted to view this spectacular and exciting event. Cultural sharing was also a part of the whole educational experience and a traditional salmon barbecue was held.

As part of the Gathering of Nations program, the Coast Salish Nation hosted a traditional



**Lahol Tournament** (bone game) at the Tsawout Longhouse in Saanich, British Columbia.

This ancient game, played to the traditional chanting and beat of drums, involves the exchange of special carved bones from one team to another.

Each team is guided by a "guesser" who must correctly guess which one of the two concealed bones, of each set, is the unmarked (female) bone. The opposing side wins a stick when a guesser misses identifying which player on the opposite team has the unmarked bone. The winning team is the one that collects both sets of sticks plus the "king" stick. This may happen very quickly or last for several hours before a team emerges victorious. On the basis of chance, as opposed to skill, the game plays for sticks, entertainment and money.

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The artistic designs on the baton are symbols of the artists' families and cultures. For the First Nations people their homeland is a place of contact between the natural and supernatural world—a place of transformation and change. The imagery created by the three artists celebrates this connection.

Charles Elliott is from the hosting Coast Salish Nation on whose ancestral territory the XV Commonwealth Games are held. Charles chose the symbols of a frog (herald) and a wolf to represent the Coast Salish people. The wolf is a protector spirit and is on the baton to protect all who are taking part in the Games.

Art Thompson is from the Nuu-Chah-Nulth Nation. Art chose the image of a wolf, one of his people's most prestigious symbols.

Richard Hunt is from the Kwagwiltsh Nation. Richard chose two symbols to represent the Kwagwiltsh people. One is a raven with a frog in its mouth, the raven being the main crest of Richard's family; the other is a kulus (kooloose), an immature thunderbird.

These First Nations artists used the same symbols in designing the Commonwealth Games gold, silver and bronze medals (see sidebar).

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# MNA holds 66th Annual Assembly

by John Copley

About 540 kilometres north of Edmonton on highway 63, lies the town of Fort McMurray—this year's site for the Metis Nation of Alberta's (MNA) 66th annual assembly. And if the event (August 19-21) is to be reminiscent of past get-togethers, this could indeed be a gala affair. But times change with the attitudes of the people and it's more than likely to be an assembly that



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The MNA has had it's fair share of hard times in recent days.

Continuous fighting by board members of the organization has persisted since last year's sudden death of long serving president, Larry Desmeules. A series of investigations has been conducted into the affairs of the organization and its ruling members. The first of these investigations was begun by association president, Gerald Thom. He says he was following up on a promise he made to the Metis people of Alberta when he said that "I (will) put all of our operations under a microscope."

In the same September interview Thom said that he thought it was "healthy for any organization to put its operations to an impartial test from time to time."

Further investigations were carried out by factions of the Edmonton Police Services as well as government funding agencies. The various investigations failed to uncover any wrong-doing and Thom says he thinks the whole affair "was a complete waste of precious time—that time that could have been spent readying our people for self-government."

The MNA president said there were some factions of the association's board and their supporters that "purposely delayed the efforts of this organization by their constant in-fighting and failure to work on a united front for the betterment of the people." Thom feels that these measures were taken "in an effort to divide the organi-

zation and try to show that the current leaders were not doing the job." But, says Thom, "we're slowly getting back on track and we'll be ready to give the whole membership a new look at things" during the upcoming annual assembly.

According to the Zone IV Vice President and MNA Secretary, Lyle Donald, this year's assembly will see the organization lay all of its cards on the table.

"There is too much confusion and therefore some distrust about some of the association's enterprises," explained Donald. "For instance, much of the organization's business is run for expediency and cost reasons" with or through numbered companies. This year there will be names, addresses and details about these business dealings. We want the people to have a better understanding of the day-to-day operation of the (MNA)."

President Thom concurred when he said that "many of our people do not understand the spreadsheet system of explaining finances; this year we hope to bring better understanding to our membership."

Secretary Donald has prepared a 64 page financial report that includes not only the numbers but the text to explain, in detail, just what the organization is doing.

Thom says the Ft. McMurray assembly will introduce the first of many new changes to be made over the next while. He's got a couple of priorities that "must be dealt with before anything can be accomplished." The first is the implementation of an Electoral Commission. This commission, already ratified by the MNA board, will come about if the idea meets with approval at the annual assembly. "The Commission," says Thom "will set electoral policy and look after all enumerations. The second is to deal with the priorities of the people. "We need to focus on the issues that affect the people. We must look after the bread and butter issues like our fishing and hunting rights, for example. Employment and welfare rolls are being cut every month; when this money runs out, our people will have a great need of their cultural and traditional backgrounds. It is important to begin training programs that will help our children thrive and prosper."

The MNA's current three year business plan has a three-fold mission and Thom says the first thing on the agenda is to begin decentralizing the association. "The end result is to see services administered right at the community level. The time is coming for people to take control over

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# Dreamspeakers last big festival of the year

by John Copley



Storytellers, songwriters, film makers, singers, poets and other Aboriginal artists and performers will bring Edmonton's festival season to a close later this month (Aug. 24-27) when the Dreamspeakers third annual Festival takes place in Edmonton.

The four-day extravaganza will feature performers from nations around the world. Participating nations will include Canada, New Zealand, Peru, Argentina, Ecuador, Bolivia, Guam, Australia and the United States.

Greg Coyes, Dreamspeakers Festival president, said his organization is proud to be "hosting our brothers and sisters from around the globe," and that it was a "rare opportunity for Aboriginal artists and storytellers to come together. It's a unique gathering."

But, as reported in an earlier issue of *Alberta Native News*, government funding is having its effect on the celebrations. Changes have had to be made in the scheduling of events and in fact, only one of the events will still be held at Churchill Square—usually a focal point for the festival. Only the opening ceremonies and a Round Dance will be held at this venue. Both take place on August 24.

Centennial Park Plaza—located right behind the library—will see a variety of Aboriginal performers from 11:30 in the morning until 1:30 in the afternoon and from 5 to 7 p.m. (Aug. 25-27). This is the only location that will allow spectators to watch for free. Other venues can be visited on a \$6 daily admission button.

Executive producer of the extravaganza, Loro Carmen, says more money is needed. "Because of the cutbacks we are having to raise more money on our own initiative."

The daily admission button is good for a variety of events. These include three downtown locations—Centennial Library, Edmonton Art Gallery and the Colin Low Theatre which is located in Canada Place. These locations will allow interested spectators to watch screenings of various Native movies and video productions.

There will be a total of 28 movies held at the above locations and these will be offset by a variety of performances by poets, storytellers and dancers.

Concerts at the Westin Hotel will take place on the 26th and 27th of August and will include well known Canadian entertainers Laura Vinson and Clyde Roulette's blues band. The Westin will also host an arts and crafts show as well as a video and film trade fair.

A consulting company from the United States will be helping the festival to ensure that movie makers give the proper portrayal of Native people.

Greg Coyes said that "with people coming from all over the world, we felt it would be most valuable to get together, screen one another's work and talk about the issues that arise from it."

The festival kicks off at Churchill Square at 10 a.m. on August 24.

# Stoney band recreates historic ride

by Dale Stelter

The Stoney Band of southern Alberta recently commemorated a historic trip taken by a chief one hundred years ago.

At that time, Chief Ta Otha of the Stoney band had defied the federal government and led 100 band members on a ride from their reserve, located about 600 kilometres west of Calgary, to their ancestral hunting grounds on the Kootenay Plains. The trek covered about 175 kilometres.

The intent was that the people would be able to live their traditional lifestyle, and Ta Otha's people prospered on the plentiful resources of the land.

The federal government labelled Ta Otha's people as squatters, and refused to recognize them. It was only after about fifty years that the government granted the people a reserve, but trapping had already begun to dwindle. In 1970, the Abraham dam was built nearby by the Alberta government, and the few remaining trap lines, along with cabins and graves, were flooded. Today, highways run through areas that were once wilderness.

About 150 descendants of Ta Otha now live on the Big Horn Reserve, located near Nordegg, approximately 260 kilometres southwest of Edmonton. Most of the 3,000 members of the Stoney Band live on the original reserve.

About 30 Stoney members and workers commemorated Ta Otha's trip with a ride of their own. Stoney Chief Ernest Wesley, a great-grand grandson of Ta Otha, who was also known as Peter Wesley, told the *Edmonton Journal* that "Back then, Peter Wesley had a vision of independence. That's the reason why we take on this trip." Ernest Wesley said he believes the way off of welfare is to first raise self-esteem, and then move on to economic development. The commemorative ride was one component of the process.

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- August 12 - 21
  - North Star Native Art Shows, Edmonton, AB (403) 438-6682
- August 15 - 20
  - Opasquak Indian Days, The Pas, MB, (204) 623-5483

- August 13 - 21
  - International Native Arts Festival, Calgary AB, (403) 233-0022

- August 18 - 21
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- August 19 - 22
  - Piapot Celebrations, Piapot Reserve, SK, (306) 781-4848

- August 20
  - Pro Firearms Rally, 1:00 p.m. at the Olds Agricultural Society Fairgrounds, Olds, AB
  - Nechi Institute Reunion, Edmonton, Alberta (403) 458-1884

- August 21
  - Camoco Mountain Bike Race, Broadview, SK, (306) 696-2522

- August 24 - 27
  - Third Annual Dreamspeakers Festival, Edmonton, Alberta (403) 439-3513

- August 25-28
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- August 26
  - A Symposium on Urban Health for Aboriginal Peoples hosted by the Native Council of Canada (Alberta) at the Charles Camell Hospital (403) 454-8832

- August 26 - 28
  - Yorkton Friendship Centre, Yorkton, SK, (306) 782-2822
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- August 27
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- August 27 - 28
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  - 2nd Annual Pow Wow, Windsor, ON, (519) 948-8365.

- August 30, September 1 - 2
  - Nakota Labour Day Classic, Morley, AB, (403) 881-3939

- August 31 - September 5
  - 2nd Annual National Youth and Elder Conference in conjunction with the National American Indian Movement Conference, Fort Snelling State Park, St. Paul, Minnesota (612) 331-8862

## September

- September 9 - 11
  - 6th Annual Traditional Pow Wow, Honouring Our Families, Batchewana First Nation, Ranken Reserve Pow Wow Grounds, (705) 759-0914

- September 13 - 15
  - Balancing Values for a Future, A First Nations Conference on Water and the Environment, Alexander First Nation, (403) 939-5587

- September 16 - 18
  - Treaty Four Pow Wow, Fort Qu'Appelle, SK, (306) 332-1874

- September 22 - 23
  - National Native Investment and Trade Association Conference: Separating First Nations Politics from Business, Toronto, Ontario 1-800-337-7743.

- September 24 - 25
  - Wawaskina 1st Annual PowWow, Whitefish River First Nation, Birch Island, Ontario (705) 285-0210

## October

- October 2 - 4
  - Women & Wellness Conference East Toronto, Ontario (705) 725-0790

- October 8 - 9
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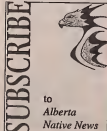
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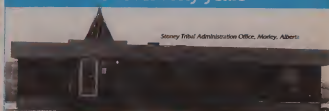
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# Self Government

## Terminology degrading says Mohawk Leader

by John Copley



It used to be the Sawridge Band of the Sawridge Reserve just as it used to be the Alexander Band on the reserve near Morinville. But this has changed - and the change is widespread across the nation. In fact, over half of the Native communities across Canada have already changed their names and with it, they hope, a change of image. The aforementioned are now Sawridge First Nations and Alexander First Nations - terms that Melissa Lazore, a senior communications officer with the federal government's Native Affairs department says "respects Natives' right to self-government."

John Boots, a spokesman for the Mohawk Warrior Society near Cornwall, Ontario called the term 'reserve' derogatory. He said that "it is for us to name our land - not Canada." He's not alone in his opinion.

Akwesasne First Nations Grand Chief Russell Roundpoint said he felt the use of the term 'reserve' was outdated. In an interview with the Canadian Press, Roundpoint said that "changing the terminology would be correcting a wrong which is, in my opinion, long overdue. Mohawk Territory of Akwesasne is far more acceptable than Akwesasne Mohawk Reserve."

The Akwesasne Mohawk are known for their outspoken opinions in various political venues including on-reserve gaming facilities and the various 'right-to-govern' issues that have been at the forefront of Native and non-Native politics for the past several years.

## Inuit move closer to self-government in Quebec

by John Copley

After more than ten years of meetings and discussions Quebec's Inuit population is on the brink of self-government.

In a deal that could see the Inuit take over social services, justice and education in areas north of the 55th parallel, the new deal could also give the Inuit additional extensive powers in the northern part of the province within the next year.

Michel Payant, an aide to Inuit leader Simeonie Nalukturnuk, said that the will to accomplish self-government has been there "for at least ten years." He said that the subject was first broached back in the early 1980's and that it was the last Parti Quebecois government that "showed interest in the idea." He said that by the end of the last decade everyone realized the magnitude of the move and agreed that the project would have a better chance of success if the Inuit governed above the 55th parallel.

"As things stand," said Payant, "there is so much overlap now that everyone agrees it can be done better by a government actually (living) up there."

The new agreement is to be signed by Quebec minister of Native Affairs and Natural Resources, Christos Sirros and Simeonie Nalukturnuk but neither party could be contacted to verify the date of the actual signing. A major participant in the negotiations is former Liberal cabinet minister, Francis Fox; now a Montreal attorney. He has indicated that nothing has been resolved beyond next spring's April deadline - when a final agreement is to be completed.

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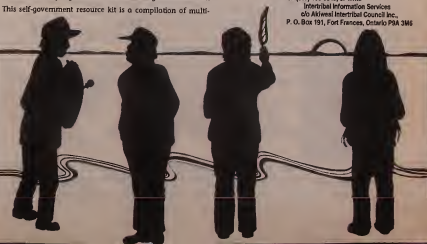
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## Elders develop Self-Government Kit

In the Rainy Lake Tribal Area of Northwestern Ontario there is a group of 60 Elders who are very active in helping their people. They go many places to do their teaching and healing.

As individuals they have been invited all across Canada to conduct ceremonies, to perform traditional healing, to conduct naming ceremonies, to teach about the old ways and to instruct in the Ojibway language. Each of them has a contribution to make in teaching the old ways and in instructing in the language. Akiwesi Intertribal Council Inc. organizes the elder's activities. The executive of the Akiwesi Intertribal Council Inc. is comprised of Buddy Friday, President; Jim Windigo, Vice-President; Jim Boshkaykin, Secretary and Joseph Big George, Treasurer.

Buddy Friday is active in performing ceremonies for many Native organizations in the area. He is the elder for the negotiations with Ontario Hydro and is requested to be present at many official meetings held by the Grand Council of Treaty #3 and with the Rainy Lake Tribal Council. Elder Friday is from the Seine River First Nation and was a special constable there until his retirement.

Jim Windigo of the Nicicoumenecaning First Nation is very well known. He organizes pow-wows and is the Master of Ceremonies for many pow-wows throughout Ontario. Jim and his wife Nina recently spent two weeks in Ottawa as resident elders in the capital city.

Jim Boshkaykin has been a worker with Correction Services for many years. Mr. Boshkaykin is from Seine River also. Jim is directly involved in the Native Healing Program in Northwestern Ontario. He is in demand from First Nations and Native organizations to perform ceremonies and to teach the old ways.

Joseph Big George is from the Saug-A-Gaw-Sing or Big Island First Nation. Joseph's early years were spent with his family on Big Island of Lake of the Woods. He learned the old ways from his elders and now passes on those teachings to the youth. Joseph is currently working in the Native Alcohol and Drug Addiction Program.

Through their participation with First Nations, Native Organizations and government departments and ministries the Elders of the Akiwesi Intertribal Council became aware of the increasing need for more information on self-



government.

The Elders are not necessarily promoting self-government. They believe that each First Nation, Tribal Council and Treaty Organization must decide for themselves what they must do in this important matter.

The Elders observed that many people were asking about self-government. What is self-government? The Elders believed that they could help answer that question and developed a self-government resource kit. They believed that if they assembled an information kit that included the fundamental information needed to understand self-government they would be making a major contribution to their own people and to all others who were interested in this vital Canadian issue.

The Elders decided NOT to apply for government grants to help them develop the kit because they did not want the contents of the kit to be perceived as being influenced by any level of government. They wanted to provide the necessary, fundamental information that would be required by anyone who was interested in learning about self-government without being pressured into certain items that may skew the information along a preferred government direction.

The Elders point out that the understanding of self-government is a major challenge in that it will take time to grasp the many issues involved. Each person will have to spend many hours of study to gain a comprehensive understanding of the fundamentals of self-government.

In the making of the kit the Elders were the directors as they provided guidance and suggestions. They participated directly in the videotapes and determined who the other participants would be.

The Elders are not necessarily saying that the First Nations as individual communities have to proceed with self-government. They are merely providing information that will assist in the understanding of self-government. They believe it is that understanding, that learning of this important topic, that persons must proceed with immediately. If a First Nation decides to proceed with self-government then the kit will be very useful in the implementation process.

There are items such as the Indian Act and the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms included in the kit. These acts are not popular with First Nations leaders; however, they are important in the understanding of the legislation and past restrictions and barriers in the development of self-government. The Elders want to make it abundantly clear that by providing the Indian Act and the Charter of Rights and Freedoms in the kit they are not condoning them. These two documents are required to have a full

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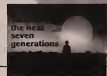
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## New projects assist remote communities

The federal government has initiated funding for a series of innovative projects to help social assistance recipients who live in remote northern communities.

"Investing In People" is a two-year initiative which provides specialized counselling, career and employment development, life skills, on-the-job experience, and education to social assistance recipients. This initiative has been designed to test new community-based employment development approaches across the Northwest Territories.

"Investing In People will create opportunities, primarily for Aboriginal people, by involving community-based sponsors, including land claims groups, Arctic colleges, municipal governments and hunter/trapper associations," said Northwest Territories Minister of Education Richard Nerysoo. "Through this initiative we will develop and test innovative models for training in remote northern communities, which will bridge the traditional and modern wage economies."

The following projects make up the Investing In People initiative developed by the federal and territorial governments under the Strategic Initiatives Program:

• In the Inuvik Region, the Gwich'in Tribal Council is delivering a work project which will provide education, life skills, and on the job training to 30 social assistance recipients

• In Inuvik, Tsigehtchic (Arctic Red River), Fort McPherson and Aklavik participants will receive training in work related to the construction area. In Aklavik, specific training opportunities will be offered in care giving for the elderly, tourism, and security.

• In the Kitikmeot Region, the Kitikmeot Inuit Association is working with Arctic College to

provide education, life skills training, and a variety of employment opportunities for 15 social assistance recipients in Cambridge Bay.

• In the Fort Smith Region, the community of Fort Resolution has recently reopened the saw mill. Trained workers are needed to support this activity. The Metis Association has also proposed a work activity project for this community. Developmental work is under way to combine these needs and provide the work training, education, life skills training and counselling services to social assistance recipients.

• In the Baffin Region, the Departments of Education, Culture and Employment, Social Services and Renewable Resources are working together to further develop resource-based projects which will also include education, life skills training and other types of work experience. They will be targeted to young social assistance recipients who have less than a Grade 10 education.

• In the Kewatin Region, the Aivitt Hunters and Trappers Association is prepared to sponsor the Southampton Island Caribou Project in Coral Harbour.

With the involvement of the NWT Departments of Education, Culture and Employment, Social Services, Renewable Resources and Economic Development and Tourism the project will provide education, life skills training, and on the land training to 10 social assistance recipients. Besides hunting, the participants will be trained in preparing the meat properly for sale commercially.

• Initial meetings have taken place to develop a project which will take advantage of employment opportunities available in the North Slave Region, and will include a strong education and life skills development focus.

The total contribution from both levels of government for the two-year joint initiative will be up to \$8 million. These costs will be shared 50/50 between the federal and territorial governments, each contributing \$1 million for 1994/95 and \$3 million for 1995/96. Secretary of State Ethel Blondin-Andrew and Minister Nerysoo will jointly evaluate the success of this initiative in the Northwest Territories.



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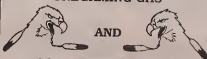
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RAP Architecture is no stranger to large commercial projects but they also understand the importance of developing even the smallest job into one that has greater potential for future expansion.

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"We have many areas of expertise," explains Partridge. "Previous projects have included housing, educational and recreational facilities as



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well as a variety of institutional work including museums and administration facilities." In addition, RAP Architects has been involved in the restoration and modernization of several historic facilities and has done mainstream program work for the provincial government.

"We have experience in all fields of commercial and industrial design and development," assures Partridge, "and we are ready to sit down to discuss projects at any time."

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# Trucking Industries Have Much to Offer

by Brian Savage

The trucking industry has great potential for Natives seeking well-paying jobs.

That's the good news from driving instructors like Kevin Agar of W.T. Safety, who has been an instructor for 17 years and has travelled extensively across Alberta reserves teaching Natives how to drive.

Ability is the key, says Agar, in learning to drive large trucks.

"Many reserves have gone to contracting with Natives over non-Natives for hauling gravel on reserves," says Agar, "and a lot of reserves are large enough to warrant tractor-trailers to haul the gravel so they end up finding employment on

doubling their earning potential.

"Right now there's a driver shortage across North America and U.S. states show a need for 5,000 new drivers a year. In Canada it's only recently the government has acknowledged a shortage of truck drivers."

Allison James, co-owner along with her husband Ron of Right Choice Driver Training, Inc. feels trucking offers great potential for Natives.

"Going into the trucking industry doesn't mean just being a trucker. There are quite a few job opportunities available. We encourage people to start out as a driver to find out if they like the job. They can go on to become owner-operators or own their own fleet."

Job opportunities for Natives include hauling timber and water-trucks, something past Native graduates of her company are already doing.

"You don't have to line haul on the highway," says James. "A license opens up quite a few doors of employment and quite a variety, too, including in their own communities."

Other related positions in the trucking industry include dispatching and accounting and "in northern Alberta a fair number of reserves have farmland that need trucks to haul their freight, like grain."

Not all bands feel the trucking industry offers such potential, admits James, but the numbers are increasing.

"Expansion in the trucking industry is increasing. A large number of drivers are approaching retirement and there is a gap that needs to be filled."

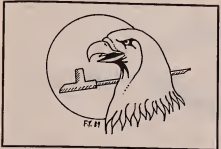
The five-year old company has three full-time instructors along with Ron, who is a retired driver.

Getting a license can be expensive, costing anywhere from \$2,000-3,000 and the courses run for four weeks, but James says that cost alone is relative.

"I went to school for a year and paid \$6,000 and

am not qualified to get the income a driver could make, \$35,000-40,000 a year to start. So you could start earning a decent income relatively quickly.

"More and more Natives are finding they can make a good living on the road or in their own communities. It can help a lot of northern communities to do their own hauling; they might as well have the money rather than paying someone else."



the reserve.

"This type of work provides employment for seven or eight months a year through public works programs," explains Agar, and "that money can be spent on the reserve rather than to an outside contractor. There's potential to re-cycle that money on the reserve and be an economic benefit to the reserve."

Agar feels Natives could easily take positions with non-Native trucking companies and still be able to bid on contracts on reserves, effectively

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# Native-owned company deals in modular homes

by Dale Stelter

For about 18 years, John Olsen, a Treaty Indian from the Peguis reserve in Manitoba, worked with modular homes that are manufactured in pieces and panels in the factory, and then assembled on-site.

Two years ago, John started up his own company, Cree Industries, in Vancouver. Today, he does business only with Natives, and in addition to selling modular homes, also trains Native people to manufacture the homes in their own factories.

This training takes place over a period of about three months, with Olsen providing his clients with the expertise and the machinery for the factories. This process, of course, creates employment on reserves. And, as Olsen points out, with 75,000 houses needed on reserves in Canada, and the country's Native population having grown 41 percent in six years, the homes that are being built are obviously filling a desperate need.

In the past, one of the problems faced by Native bands wanting to set up their own modular home factories was that cash was often not available for buying the equipment for making the houses. That problem can be solved through leasing the equipment, or leasing to own, and Olsen will negotiate on behalf of the bands to get the best terms and rates possible.

Olsen states that through obtaining these types of leasing agreements, and due to the tax-free status accorded to Natives on reserves, a modular home can be built on a reserve for about 70 percent of the price of a normal home.

As well, these homes can be built 365 days of the year, and when all of the pieces and panels are brought on-site, a house can be built in one day without much difficulty. Furthermore, the houses with which Olsen deals are of the highest quality material, and feature such things as double-glazed windows and steel-insulated doors.

Olsen is also moving to help fill two other pressing needs of many reserves—ways to effectively deal with garbage disposal and sewage treatment.

As for garbage disposal, he is selling a machine in which the pieces of garbage are thrown against each other, rather than being cut or shredded

up. This process reduces the volume of the garbage by 80 percent, greatly prolonging the life of landfill sites, and also takes away the garbage's odours. And since the system does not rely on internal cutters or shredders to treat the garbage, there is less wear and tear on internal parts.

Olsen is also selling the Clearwater sewage treatment system which, he indicates, produces a clean and clear effluent never before thought possible, and has been approved by the British Columbia Medical Health Branch. As with the modular homes, Olsen will also train his clients to produce the fiberglass tanks used in the system, and will negotiate leasing deals for the production equipment.

In addition to working with Natives in Canada, John Olsen is also receiving inquiries from the United States. He emphasizes that his company provides the best service, and the best products, that it possibly can.

For further information, you can fax Cree Industries at (604) 530-2419. The telephone number is 533-4950, and the mailing address is 200, 100 Park Royal, West Vancouver, B.C., V7T 1A2.



## Self-Government Kit

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understanding of the problems that First Nations face on their road to self-determination.

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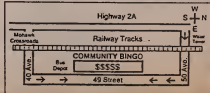
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by Rod Durocher

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What I need to do most of all is  
To take care of my inner self,  
To watch the light of my inner circle.

How to be serene, I don't know  
I'm asking you my friend  
Help me ... help me build a bond of  
Friendship with you forever... through sharing.



## XV Commonwealth Games

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at the University of Victoria. Events will be taking place at *Thuleescha* throughout the XV Commonwealth Games. Designed to allow the 3,300 athletes an opportunity to share in the festivities planned, the program of events at *Thuleescha* will provide a kaleidoscope of experiences and entertainment.

A blessing by Coast Salish elders, was held before it officially opened to the athletes. For three weeks *Thuleescha* will be "home away from home" for 3,300 athletes. Most of these athletes will be thousands of miles away from their homes, living at the University of Victoria which rests on the ancestral grounds of the Coast Salish Nation.

From August 7 to 28, entertainment will be provided for the international residents of *Thuleescha*. First Nations people will be performing traditional songs and dances.

As part of the Gathering of Nations program, NPC is co-ordinating the *Lau Wei New Cultural Village*. This Cultural Village will include a wide range of activities, including First Nations Arts, Cuisine, plus a full blown 40' by 40' stage to create a Theatre.

This site will host an array of international cultural performers and provide First Nations Groups the opportunity to share their art, culture, music and regalia.

Hosting communities and the NPC will be gathering First Nations from around the world on August 17 in preparation to welcome the world to Victoria, British Columbia. This "Parade of Nations" will be spectacular.

One major purpose served by this demonstration of solidarity is to educate the world about the similarities and differences amongst each Tribal Nation. Other cultures have a preconceived notion that all Native

people are alike, even though each nation in Canada has its own language, regalia, music, dance, traditions and culture. These differences will become very apparent through the process of the Parade of Nations.

The heart of this distinct array is to honour First Nations Veterans of World War II for their efforts toward peace and harmony within the country today. On August 17, First Nations Veterans, dressed in full uniform and stripes, are going to be honoured and acknowledged. These Veterans will escort the three hosting First Nations—Coast Salish, Nuu Chah Nulth and Kwagwilt Nations into the Parade of Nations.

On August 18 the *Traditional Coast Salish Welcome* will be held at the Inner Harbour in Victoria. Here in full regalia the First Nations of Vancouver Island will welcome the world to their traditional and sacred land.

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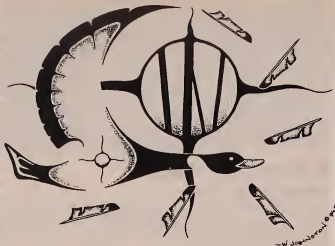
Earlier this summer Royal Bank president and chief operating officer John Cleghorn presented the board of CESO Aboriginal Services with a cheque for \$50,000, the first half of the bank's two-year, \$100,000 pledge.

CESO Aboriginal Services is an arm of CESO, a not-for-profit development agency working in Aboriginal communities in Canada and in over 50 developing countries overseas. This year the agency celebrates 25 years of working with Canada's First Nations, and has recently undergone a major restructuring in an effort to put greater emphasis on the Aboriginal Services program.

Central to this renewed emphasis is the Royal Bank's decision to take a lead role in support of the organization.

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"From the outset, we felt that this approach was right for today," says Cleghorn.

Noting the bank's twenty-two year history of support, CESO president Dan Haggerty says, "We are delighted with this latest example of Royal Bank's long-standing support for CESO. This endorsement sets a standard for corporate Canada that will provide real on-the-ground results in Aboriginal communities."

"It is also an opportunity for CESO to cement its relationship with the bank, so we can all move toward our shared goal of developing improved capital access avenues for Aboriginal businesses."

CESO currently has approximately 25 former Royal Bank employees on its roster of 3,900 retired and semi-retired professionals, with many more of similar backgrounds from other banks and trust companies. The Aboriginal Services division expects to complete well over 1,000 assignments with Aboriginal clients this year, many of which will be in the financial services sector.

Jim Richardson, a Micmac from New Brunswick and vice-president of CESO Aboriginal Services, envisions major new opportunities for skilled volunteers in this emerging new sector. He says that skills transfer organizations like CESO can bridge the knowledge gap between business interests and Aboriginal groups as Natives begin to take greater control of their economic livelihoods through self-government.

"I see our organization as the logical intermediary between a well-organized Aboriginal business initiative on one hand, and financial institutions like Royal Bank on the other, using the cadre of banking veterans we have access to each day," says Richardson.

"There is no doubt in my mind this process will release tremendous amounts of entrepreneurial energy in Aboriginal communities."

Royal Bank's two-year commitment will complement CESO's five-year funding diversification plan, as announced in an internal Task Force Report to the board of directors a year ago. Funding diversification was part of several pro-active response strategies recommended in light of growing governmental restraint on aid issues, both here in Canada and abroad.

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## Native input needed in forestry management

by Sarah Dodd

The Mohawk people at Akwesasne believe that planning today must reflect the thinking of seven generations in the future. This concept is the basis of sustainable development. It was also the theme of a key note address presented by Dr. Henry Lickers to the National Model Forest Network workshop on social and economic indicators of sustainable development. Held recently, in Port Alberni, the workshop gave Aboriginal representatives an opportunity to share their perspectives on forestry and the environment with other delegates from across Canada and around the world.

The focus of the workshop was on determining the importance of indicators for the planning and management of forests and on developing indicators as tools to be used in decision-making processes. Dr. Lickers, the Director of the Mohawk Council of Akwesasne, Environment Division, told a story which reminded delegates that indicators, in order to be useful, must be taken in context.

"Quite a long time ago, maybe in this area, maybe at Akwesasne, there was a very rich lumber man driving down the road in his very expensive BMW convertible, smoking his big cigar. As he was driving, he came to a corner, around which came a long-haired hippie-looking environmentalist driving a beat up old microbus. The environmentalist rolled down his window as he passed the lumber man and yelled, 'Pig!' the lumber man was quite indignant and said to himself, 'What in the world is wrong with these people?' and he drove around the corner and ran smack into a pig standing in the middle of the road.

"In this story, the person assumed the indicator he was looking at was the guy in the microbus yelling 'pig' at him and that the guy was making a social comment, not a physical one. I think one of the things we have to be careful about when we are looking at indicators, is in which context we are looking at them," said Dr. Lickers. Also key to understanding and determining indicators is realizing that timber production is only one value of the forest and can't be exploited at the expense of all other interests.

"People don't act as the dominant force in forest ecosystems in Aboriginal thinking," said Gene

Kimbley, Manager of Forest Operations for the Montreal Lake Cree Nation.

"Economic advantage must be balanced against cultural preservation," said Dr. Doug Elias, a professor at the University of Lethbridge who spoke about regional economic development in Aboriginal communities. According to Dr. Elias, Aboriginal people have been clear about what they want for forest management and economic, political and cultural development since 1969. "It is important that we be consistent with existing work done by Aboriginal models. We have sources of information on comprehensive development plans. Why re-invent the wheel?"

Although Aboriginal participation in forest planning and management is crucial, it must be meaningful involvement. "Sometimes the Aboriginal component of co-management is just token. We have to have a real voice," said Clarence Kennedy, Manitoba Model Forest. Co-management must involve Aboriginal people in the decision-making, incorporate Aboriginal ideas in planning and encourage the exchange of knowledge between Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal.

"Aboriginal heritage is based on hunting, trapping, gathering and fishing and it is vital that we continue harvesting in a way consistent with tradition," said Peggy Smith, National Aboriginal Forestry Association. Smith also recommended that forest management planning should recognize and integrate the value of Aboriginal ecological knowledge. "Aboriginal people are not just another 'stakeholder'."

Dr. Lickers reminded delegates that incorporating Aboriginal perspective in forest management must begin with a balanced relationship. "There are three components to a balanced relationship: respect, equity and empowerment. If I take lots of respect, but I give you no equity and no empowerment, I am treating you like children. If I give you a little bit of respect, with lots of equity and no empowerment, then I am treating you like prostitutes. If I give you lots of empowerment, with little equity and little respect, then I am treating you like police officers. The task that we have (during this conference) is to see how we can balance that deal. How can we bring those things together so that there are adequate amounts of respect, equity and empowerment?"

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## Kemano Project could cause major weed growth

by Dale Stelter

A biologist with Environment Canada has told the provincial inquiry studying the Kemano Completion Project that under water flows proposed for the project, weed growth in the Nechako River could increase to 17 times its present level.

The Kemano Completion Project is being proposed by Alcan, and is opposed by Natives in the area and by environmentalists. The proposed project would divert water from the Nechako

River, reducing its flows. The inquiry in the project is being conducted by the B.C. Utilities Commission.

Dr. Patricia Chambers, a federal biologist from Saskatoon, presented a two-year study to the inquiry. The study examined aquatic macrophytes, such as weeds, and environmental factors that control their growth.

The Canadian Press reports that Chambers found that not only would there be more weeds in the Nechako River, they would cover larger stretches of the surface of the river. She added that weeds, which are potentially harmful to fish and responsible for changes in the water environment, are difficult to control once they get a foothold.

Chambers said that inflows on the river dropped to 31 cubic metres per second from the current

flow of approximately 164 cubic metres per second, plant biomass would increase 17 times.

The Carrier Sekani Tribal Council also continues their efforts to stop the Kemano 2 project. A Cheslatta Solidarity Caravan journeyed from Ottawa across the country last month with workshops and presentations about the devastating impact that the project will have on the Cheslatta people. The Caravan and the Cheslatta Camp-Out were recorded on film and will be broadcast for television.

Chief Marvin Charlie of the Cheslatta Carrier Nation is at the forefront of the opposition. He claims that the provincial Utilities Commission Review is not a credible inquiry but that the fight for survival is very real and will benefit Canadians and Americans, Native and non-Native.

"The cost of fighting is high," says Chief Charlie, "but the cost of not fighting is even higher." For further information contact the Cheslatta Carrier Nation, (604) 694-3334.

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## Land use plan proposed for Cariboo-Chilcotin

by Dale Stelter

The Commission on Resources and Environment has proposed a land-use plan that would increase the number of parks in the Cariboo-Chilcotin area.

The plan was announced by CORE head Stephen Owen, in mid-July. According to the *Vancouver Sun*, it contains the following proposals:

- The amount of land in the area preserved as parks would be doubled, to 12 percent of the 11 million hectares in the region. Tourism, recreation, and grazing would be permitted in the new parks, and logging and mining banned.

- Sensitive zones would take up 24 percent of the entire land base. In these zones, tourism, recreation, and preservation of wildlife and fisheries would be emphasized. Logging and mining would be permitted only where such values are not affected.

- General areas would take up 24 percent of the land base, and would fall under general management. This means that traditional logging would continue, according to new environmental standards that the B.C. government introduced earlier this year.

- Enhanced forestry areas would make up the remaining 20 percent of the land base. These areas would emphasize timber production, with stricter environmental standards emphasizing selective and labour-intensive harvesting of trees over large-scale industrial clear cutting.

Owen estimated that the proposed plan would result in 600 to 850 jobs being lost. He said, however, that this would be more than compensated by increased creation of jobs in silviculture and in the value-added forest manufacturing sector. In fact, much of the report on the plan deals with an economic strategy that emphasizes intensive silvicultural practices.

Owen put the proposal together after a regional round table was not able to reach agreement on the issues involved.

Approximately 2,000 forestry workers blocked Highway 97 at Williams Lake in protest of the plan, saying it would cost more jobs than Owen estimated. Environmentalists said that the proposal fails to protect key environmentally-sensitive areas.

Owen called for a quick response from the B.C. government to the proposed plan. However, the cabinet does not meet until August 24, and it may require several weeks to study the plan.

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## Bank of Montreal opens unique branch on Siksika Nation

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After informative discussions with the group, and stories told by Siksika Nation Elder Leo Youngman, the Bank's architect, Burt Boucock, decided the following information was relevant to the Branch design:

- Bilateral symmetry is a basic tenet of traditional Aboriginal geometry.
- Entrances are placed facing east to welcome the rising sun and new life.
- The place of authority in a teepee is located opposite the front door.



• The place of honour for guests is in the centre of a teepee, adjacent to the fireplace.

• Colours and symbols are imbued with cultural meaning, and therefore must be respected by the Bank.

The Siksika Nation coat-of-arms is inscribed into the centre of the floor in the public space, and surrounded by two interlocking diamonds. This logo (circle with interlocking diamonds) is a design motif found throughout the Branch, and is the Siksika design for this Branch. This interlocking diamond pattern is repeated on the ceiling, and takes the shape of an illuminated octagonal reveal, representing the sky. The frieze around this octagonal reveal has four panels located on each of the cardinal points, each containing images of four diamonds — representing the four quadrants of the Siksika Nation. The remaining four panels contain an image of a buffalo, symbol of courage and strength. These designs are against a black background, the traditional background colour of friezes.

In the centre of the ceiling there are eight teepee poles, arranged to frame four lights inset into the ceiling, representing the stars. Around the perimeter of the octagonal ceiling reveal there are eight triangles, each with a small light located at the corner farthest from the octagonal reveal. These triangles symbolize opening up the point of a teepee, providing a porthole to the sky above.

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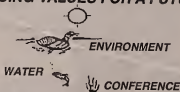
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# CIBC opens for business in Hobbema

by John Copley

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"It's an opportunity for the bank and an opportunity for us to progress," said a happy Curtis

Ermineskin, band councillor for one of the four Nations that reside at Hobbema. In addition to the Ermineskin band, Hobbema is home to the Montana, Louis Bull and Samson First Nations. About 10,000 band members make their homes on reserve land.

"There will be many services, employment opportunities and career opportunities for our members in the commerce industry," added Ermineskin, who said that in such a "large community... we need small business. We're all looking for self-independence."

The CIBC, which also opened a new 22,000 square foot location on Stony Plain Road and 170 Street in recent days, says the move is a good one for them. Speaking for the bank at their recent

grand opening was CIBC district manager, Al Raczynski who said that "...it is a great start to a partnership."

Raczynski said that he felt the venture was an ideal way in which the bank could learn more about the Aboriginal market. He also said it was exciting to be working with the Indians at Hobbema. "It's really excellent working with these people and understanding their culture."

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# The Arts

## Lighting the Seventh Fire

Ph.D. of Anthropology and  
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Reviewed by Alan Kilpatrick (Cherokee)

*Lighting the Seventh Fire* is a thoughtful and well-crafted documentary which highlights the current legal and political struggles of the Chippewa Indians to maintain their historic hunting and fishing rights in northern Wisconsin. To establish its investigatory perspective, the film presents an effective montage of historic black and white stills, personal interviews with leaders of the La Courte Oreilles, Lac de Flambeau, and Red Cliff Bands of the Chippewa, and live action shots of the public confrontations between the white sportsmen and the "Timber Niggers" as the Chippewas are slanderously labelled.

Without being exploitative, *Lighting the Seventh Fire* explores the highly charged atmosphere of racism and hatred which erupted in northern Wisconsin in 1990. Native American producer and director Sandra Johnson-Osawa captures the bigotry and misunderstanding of



the white opposition who misread the treaty based court decisions which upheld the spearfishing rights of the Chippewa as a "license to steal." As such, *Lighting the Seventh Fire* stands as a powerful indictment against public ignorance.

The film also exposes the duplicity of state governments and the injustice of the double standard which Wisconsin appears to employ

against the Chippewa. Driven by campaigns to promote tourism, game wardens turn a blind eye to the catch of sports fishermen while severely limiting the fishing rights of the Native Americans.

This film powerfully evokes the plight of a Native people who must fight to maintain their natural connection to the life-restorative waters of the great lakes. *Lighting the Seventh Fire* points out with great sensitivity that behind the Chippewa struggles to reclaim their heritage lies the strength of their spiritual traditions and their enduring prophecies of hope.

For further information about this compelling documentary, Ms. Johnson-Osawa can be contacted at Upstream Productions in Seattle, Washington at (206) 281-9177.

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## Lighting The 7th Fire

Produced and directed by a Native American, this program weaves together spear-fishing treaty rights issues in Wisconsin, the Chippewa prophecy of the 7th Fire, and profiles of some of the people helping to bring back the tradition of spearfishing. This video captures a highly significant historical tradition and it is the first program in the United States that vividly documents contemporary activism against Native Americans.

by Sandra Johnson-Osawa (Makaki)

42 min. 1994

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themselves; this can only be done at a community level." Other aspects of the plan cover employment, training and job creation and a co-management arrangement in such industries as forestry and forest management.

The MNA leaders and those hired to ready the site for this year's assembly vowed to hold an event "unlike any we've had before."

Coordinator Mike Aiken of JJ Twofathers in Ft. McMurray, says the site is a "fantastic new complex (McDonald Island) that will provide good indoor and outdoor facilities" for the three day event. The support, he adds, has been great.

"I can't say enough—the sponsors have been superb and the community is right behind this event. The volunteer hours alone show the support we're getting."

The three day gathering will see a host of events taking place during and after the daily business meetings. Events include a talent show and a slow-pitch softball tournament. Bingos, jiggling contests, family dances, pancake breakfasts, cabarets and cultural shows are only some of the events highlighting this years assembly.

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# Indigenous authors to attend Summer Literary Arts Festival

Reclaiming one's heritage and living between two cultures: these are just two themes indigenous writers will explore during the North American Life Literary Arts Festival from August 11-13 in the Newcombe Theatre at the Royal British Columbia Museum.

From the Six Nations Reserve in Ontario, Native poet and playwright Daniel David Moses will join Western Samoan writer Albert Wendt in illuminating the bi-cultural predicament which resonates throughout the writing of many Commonwealth authors.

Published first as a poet in his collection *The White Lines*, and later, with *An Anthology of Canadian Native Literature* under his belt, Daniel David Moses has gravitated towards a more community-based expression of his work in theatre. His play, *Coyote City*, was recently short-listed for the Governor General's Award.

Officially registered as a Delaware, most of Moses' family is Iroquois. "Rather than be confused by it all, I look on it as an opportunity to claim a broad heritage," he has said.

Also writing from divided heritage, poet, dramatist and fiction writer Albert Wendt was born in Western Samoa in 1929, and received his education in New Zealand. He did not return to Samoa until 1965.

Wendt points out that most literature about the Pacific has been penned by Europeans.

"We've always been at the edge — the chorus. The literature written by that chorus should put themselves at the centre. That's what every group of people has to do to define their own identity," he says.

While Wendt's novels like *The Banyan* and *Ola* reveal his Samoan heritage, his latest book, *Black Rainbow*, is a science-fiction thriller and a post-modern celebration of language.


Albert Wendt and Daniel David Moses are just two of the many exciting Commonwealth writers to be featured at the festival including Vikram Seth of India and Zimbabwe's Shimmer Chinodya.



The North American Life Literary Arts Festival is funded in part by a grant from the XV Commonwealth Games Arts and Cultural Festival. All events will be held in and around the Newcombe Theatre in Victoria. Tickets range from \$6 to \$20. For ticket information please call (604) 380-7510.

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# BOOK REVIEW

## Native Wisdom series sheds new light on Aboriginal custom

by John Copley

Vancouver's Raincoast Books is distributing a new and exclusive Aboriginal-based series called the *Little Wisdom Library—Native American Wisdom*. Taking on a five and a half by six and a half inch format, the books have been beautifully printed and sturdily bound by Craft Print Ltd.—a Singapore based company. The 62 page books delve into Native custom and expression and were first produced in England by well-known printer, Labyrinth Publishing Ltd. They are now being introduced into Canada via San Francisco based, Chronicle Books.

The three books currently available deal with the Navajo, Hopi and Lakota tribes. Spectacular photographs, combined with an assortment of splendid artistic talent, brings life to every page.

*Lakota: Seeking the Great Spirit*, is a book that deals with the practice and fundamental principles of Lakota (Sioux) spiritual and ceremonial life. Information and history within the pages of this text reveal many of this once powerful Nation's songs, rituals, narrations and ceremonies. The Lakota are known for their wisdom and several of their many legends are recounted in the pages of this volume. Probing into the three main subgroups of the Lakota tribe, this book takes the reader on a walk through time and gives reference to past and current issues. In a setting that is designed to enhance reader awareness, "Lakota" is an ideal book to whet the appetite of anyone seeking knowledge into Indian customs.

A section on Inikagapi, or the renewal of life, gives the reader a brief explanation of sweat lodge ceremonies. Hanelachia, or the search for visions, is also detailed in a section sub-headed *The Ritual Pipe and the Seven Sacred Rites*. Other sections of the book detail the significance of animals in Indian custom. Dances, traditions

and the changing winds in an ever-growing new land are all features that aid the reader in his quest for knowledge about the ways of the North American Aboriginal.

*Navajo: Walking in Beauty*, delves into the past and provides the reader with insight into a rich and representative selection of Navajo teachings and traditions. The Navajo have proven to be one of the most resourceful of the American Indian tribes. Once a nomadic warlike people, the Navajo's evolution into a society of agriculturalists, farmers, jewellers and livestock breeders is depicted in this, the second book in the *Native Wisdom* series. Filled with fantastic

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photos and more—this book digs into the background of a people with profound beliefs that surround their spirituality and the Navajo meaning of life. From the Four Holy Mountains to the hot desert-like surroundings of their homeland, this book is a must for anyone wishing to see the spirit and relentlessness of a once proud nation—still proud and still prospering.

Each book is complete with a bibliographic section as well as an introduction by Terry Wilson, Professor of Native American Studies at the University of California.

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## Continuing Poundmaker and Riel's Quest

edited by Richard Gosse, James Youngblood Henderson, Roger Carter; Purich Publishing, Saskatoon, SK, c. 1994, 445pp.  
reviewed by Brian Savage

The College of Law at the University of Saskatchewan held a conference last year called *Getting It Together*, in honour of the events a hundred years ago which included the execution of Metis leader Louis Riel and the imprisonment of Chief Poundmaker of the Cree.

Based on the papers presented at this conference, *Continuing Poundmaker and Riel's Quest*, gives the reader a varied and comprehensive view of Natives and their quest for self-government. A number of Native perspectives are offered as well as those of the federal, provincial and municipal levels of government (though to be fair, many of the comments made on the federal level were prior to the appointment of Ron Irwin as head of Indian Affairs).

Though admittedly with a slant toward the Native experience in Saskatchewan, many of the topics and discussion papers put forward points that are meaningful to Natives and non-Natives across the country.

The inadequacies of the justice system on the First Nations is a major focus of the book. That experience has been far from "a happy history" as Richard Gosse, former deputy Attorney General of Saskatchewan admits in the introduction. According to Gosse the aim of the conference was to seek ways for federal, and provincial governments and Aboriginal groups to "work together in the area we know as the administration of justice, to achieve Aboriginal justice reforms and justice reforms generally." The idea of justice reform has been coupled with that of self-government but the structure of federal and provincial jurisdiction means "practical developments tend to take place on a province-by-province basis."

Rather than focus on the past and the problems of the present (such as the overwhelmingly high preponderance of Natives in Canada's jails), Gosse observes that the conference target was to look at ways Natives and non-Natives view the administration of justice "and to encourage movement forward in a way that will advance both the interests of society as a whole and the proper recognition of the rights and interests of Aboriginal

Peoples."

After finishing this thought-provoking book, the reader has to acknowledge the commitment the organizers showed in their diversity of presenters and the incredible effort the speakers made in trying to come to grips with the important issues that face Canadian Natives today and which must be dealt with as the next century approaches.

The breadth and scope of the essays and range of speakers are truly comprehensive.

For an insightful and stimulating reading of the current movements in Native self-government and justice reform, *Continuing Poundmaker and Riel's Quest* will not let the interested reader down.



## Trial of Riel dramatized

by Ryan Edwards

Regina's yearly staging of the play *The Trial of Louis Riel* began late last month, and will run until August 31st.

The play, written by John Coulter of Toronto, has been staged in Saskatchewan's capital for 28 years. It is based on the transcripts from the 1885 trial of Riel for treason. The trial was also held in Regina.

At each performance, the jury is composed of six men selected from the audience. It is dictated by history and the script of the play that a verdict of guilty will be returned by the jury.

Each season, the 105-minute play averages about 15 performances, and brings in a total of about 3,000 people. The audience for the opening performance this year included people from England, France, Germany, four Canadian provinces, and the American states of Texas, Ohio, and Indiana.

The play is staged every Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday evening, at the Shumatcher Theatre in the Mackenzie Gallery in Regina.

In related news, a 500-page book by Regina author Maggie Siggins, entitled *Riel: A Life of Revolution*, will be published in October.

Siggins's research of the events surrounding the Riel Rebellion spanned three years.

The Regina *Leader-Post* reports that Siggins is convinced that the trial of Riel was blatantly unfair because the six men in the jury were Anglo-Saxon and Protestant. She also maintains that Riel was not mad, and believes Riel never would have been hung if his lawyers had not relied solely upon insanity as a defence. Siggins was quoted as saying "I read everything he wrote, he wrote poetry as a journal. After reading every word I think he was a genuine humanitarian... He was a brilliant politician and I never found in any of his writings where he was mean. I came out of my research with admiration for the man."

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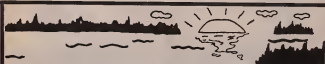
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William Murray, executive-director of the Restigouche Riparian Association, said he doesn't know exactly what it is that the Micmac Indians are doing in regards to their management plan for salmon in the Restigouche region of Quebec, but did say that "whatever (they) are doing they seem to be doing it right."

He said there was "probably more than three times the number of fish in the river this year as compared to last."

After the feds relinquished jurisdiction over salmon to Quebec's provincial government quotas were quickly issued.

In a message given last month the Micmac Band council said it was using its inherent right as recognized by the Constitution and International law to manage fisheries.

In a recent election held at the Beaver Lake First Nation near Lac La Biche, a new chief was elected to lead the band into the future.

Emile Cardinal defeated candidate Jerry Gladue by a vote of 43-13 to take over the new job. The central Alberta Cree band has been the centre of controversy ever since Cardinal was first elected as chief last February. Former chief, Al Lameam, contested the late winter election saying that the elections had been held unfairly. Unnamed sources say that Cardinal's biggest job will be to unite the various factions if he is to make progress in his new role.



Edmonton born Dennis Lakusta is a Metis song-writer with the world at his feet. Currently a resident of Victoria, B.C., Lakusta was recently in Edmonton where he performed at the Riverdale Hall. The gig was set up so he could promote the release of his latest album "Songs for the Changing Wind."

The singer/songwriter has scribed his tunes in some unusual places including a cave in Mexico and on the beaches of the Canary Islands, but the flavour of his music is definitely consistent with his western Canadian upbringing. Inspired by the move towards self-government, Lakusta said he feels a "positive will on both sides of the issue to make positive stuff happen." His new song, *The Elder and the Children* is sure to be a hit with both Native and non-Native audiences.

The focus on Native awareness has been evident for some time in Canada and it looks like it isn't going to end here. Three months ago a group of 25 First Nations communities near Winnipeg, joined hands in a venture designed to better inform non-Natives of happenings in and around Aboriginal country.

They set up a toll-free phone line (1-800-461-DRUM) that will operate until the end of September. This phone number enables the caller to receive information on a great number of activities. Project co-ordinator Judy Harbour, said the 24 hour phone line is a result of continuing inquiries from people interested in Native custom and lifestyle. She also said that people are fascinated with artifacts.

Tourists, she reports, come to "buy the dream catchers, medicine wheels, and moccasins. I think it's because there's more public awareness now."

Foreign countries are also showing an interest in Canada's Aboriginal community. Among the most interested is Germany. Since Karl May wrote his first book (mid 1890's) depicting the legends and lifestyles of the wild west, Germans have become avidly interested in Native culture. In a recent report the Canadian Press revealed that an Ottawa-based company, First Nations Communications Inc., will soon be distributing a German-language travel guide.

Wolfgang Weber, a writer and photographer from Darmstadt, Germany, said that Native people are "a mythical people for us. They are seen as the last free people roaming the endless prairie."

Other countries that have sought information and shown an interest in Canada's Native community include Japan, the United Kingdom, Belgium and Sweden.

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# Report breaks the silence on residential school abuses

A national report detailing the devastating impact of residential schools on First Nations has been released by the Assembly of First Nations. A national lobbying committee chaired by

the National Chief has been established to seek redress for the human rights violations which were committed as a result of this policy.

The report, entitled *Breaking the Silence*, illustrates what life was like for Aboriginal students in residential schools prior to their closure in the early 1970s. It portrays the lives of individuals who experienced first-hand the effects of residential schooling and shows how it impacted on their lives and the lives of their children.

The report clearly documents that the abusive environment experienced by many adult survivors of the residential school system has been carried over into present-day situations and is affecting today's First Nations youth.

The traumatic effects of residential school life, the regimentation, separation and violence at all levels have had far-reaching impacts resulting in scores of individuals being lost, isolated and turning to alcohol abuse and abuses of all kinds in attempts to cope and/or forget.

This is painfully apparent in First Nations communities such as Pikangikum, Davis Inlet, Big Cove, Attawapiskat and many others where young people find life unbearable and are killing themselves in unprecedented numbers.

*Breaking the Silence* examines the increasing awareness and concern about the impact that residential school life has had, not only on First Nations children, but on adult survivors. The harsh and damaging environment experienced by many adult survivors of the residential school system has resulted in the carry-over of maltreatment into present day situations which are now affecting today's First Nations youth. The intergenerational cycle of patterns of abuse and mistrust stemming from years of residential schooling has had widespread impact on First Nations people everywhere, and is a contributing factor in the breakdown of the family, the community and the cultural fabric of Aboriginal peoples in Canada.

The cycles and patterns of abuse that have been experienced by generations of First Nations adults and children within the residential school setting is not unlike the cycles and patterns of

abuse that is prevalent in family violence situations. There has however been no recourse and no means to heal the individual suffering from post-traumatic

syndrome as a result of their residential school experiences. Thus, many suffer in silence, bearing the pain and humiliation, only to find that their daily lives are affected, as are the lives of their children and grandchildren, due to unresolved feelings of powerlessness and hopelessness.

*Breaking the Silence* opens up many old wounds in examining the impact of residential schooling among First Nations individuals and families, and the pain is illustrated in the stories told by adult survivors. By breaking the silence and sharing their painful experiences, the eyes of many will be opened to the emotional, physical, sexual and spiritual abuses suffered by generations of residential school children in addition to the deprogramming of children from their culture, native language and familial structures by forced assimilation to an alien culture. In the revelations of this document, some individuals will be shocked by its content. Others will shake their heads in disbelief, and still others will close their eyes and refuse to see. However, regardless of the reactions, the facts remain and generations of First Nations people continue to be affected by this harsh and inhumane attempt at acculturation of First Nations children to "the lowest fringes of dominant society".

The healing must begin, and to do so, the atrocities suffered by many in the residential school setting must be addressed. First Nations individuals have a responsibility not only to themselves and their children, but to the children seven generations yet unborn. The troubled youth of today in many First Nations communities are evidence of the healing that is needed to restore the balance of body-mind-heart-spirit. *Breaking the Silence* opens our hearts and our minds so that the healing process can begin.



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Last month former Anglican Minister Ralph Rowe was convicted of sexually abusing at least 19 young boys in northern Manitoba and Ontario. The following articles are reprinted with permission of the Winnipeg Free Press:

## Native leaders searching for Victims

by Ruth Teichroeb, Winnipeg Free Press

Aboriginal leaders are calling for an investigation to locate other victims of a former Anglican minister convicted of sexually abusing at least 19 young boys in northern Manitoba and Ontario.

In the latest disclosure, a Winnipeg man, the son of an Anglican priest, contacted the *Winnipeg Free Press* to say he was molested as a child by Ralph Rowe.

The 34-year-old man, who plans to contact Police, said Anglican Church officials have a responsibility to alert the many communities where Rowe worked.

"It's definitely a must," said the man, who didn't want to be named.

Shamattawa Chief William Miles said he suspects several boys in his community were abused by Rowe, who visited often over the last two decades.

"There should be more investigation done," Miles said.

One young man with a history of gas sniffing has disclosed to a counsellor that he was abused by Rowe, Miles said.

Rowe, who was a pilot, often took boys on overnight visits to other communities, he said.

"Parents couldn't believe it when we heard about him," Miles said.

Rowe, 54, pleaded guilty and was sentenced to six years in prison on 28 sex-related charges

involving 16 young boys between 1975 and 1982 at Wunnumin Lake First Nation in northwestern Ontario.

Since the sentencing, at least five other victims have told Ontario Provincial Police they were abused.

Last January, Rowe was sentenced to one year's probation after pleading guilty to sexually assaulting an eight-year-old boy in Pikwitonni, near Thompson.

The assaults occurred between 1970 and 1973, when Rowe visited the Anglican church in Pikwitonni.

In a similar pattern to the assaults at Wunnumin Lake, Rowe invited the victim and other boys for sleepovers and then molested him.

Rowe was first convicted in 1988, after his wife of two years caught him raping a boy at Split Lake First Nation, where he was a priest.

At that time, he was convicted on nine sex-related charges involving two boys and received an 18-month sentence. Charges involving several other boys were stayed.

George Neepin, director of Manitoba Keewatinowik Okimakanak, representing 25 northern bands, said an investigation would encourage other victims to come forward.

"I would strongly suggest that there be an extensive review of what happened," Neepin said. "This is a very, very bad situation."

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# Mesmerized by day, abused at night

by Ruth Teichroeb, Winnipeg Free Press

By day, the boy was mesmerized by Ralph Rowe, a trusted family friend who always had time for children when he visited.

By night, the eight-year-old son of an Anglican priest was terrorized by Rowe, who sexually abused him while sharing the child's room.

"He (Rowe) was like a Pied Piper with children," the 34-year-old Winnipeg man said.

"He was incredibly charismatic... Who was going to believe me?"

The assaults began in the late 1960s after his father and Rowe became friends while attending an Anglican seminary in Toronto, he said.

When Rowe was a house guest, he'd share the boy's room, sleeping in the lower bunk and molesting the child in the middle of the night.

Once he heard Rowe abuse another boy in the lower bunk.

When the family moved to Keewatin, Ontario, near Kenora, and later to Gillam in northern Manitoba, Rowe, a pilot and Anglican minister, continued to visit and assault the boy until he was about 12.

"I wasn't even sure what was happening," he said. "It was embarrassing. Back then you just didn't talk about it."

Some time around 1980, he finally got up the courage to tell his parents.

"They said there was no way he could have done it because he was such a good friend," he said.

Devastated, he decided to try to forget about it. "You can't go against a pillar of the community," he said.

Eventually he went into counselling to cope with his emotional turmoil.

# Reserves face suicide epidemic

by Ruth Teichroeb, Winnipeg Free Press

A technique used to monitor infectious diseases is now being used to track the suicide epidemic in northwestern Ontario.

"We have a major health-care problem and we're nowhere near managing it," said Arnold Devlin, clinical director at Nodin Counselling in Sioux Lookout.

Devlin said they are testing a computerized suicide registry—adapted from one used by the Centres for Disease Control in Atlanta—at Pikangikum.

"There's a lot of kids slipping through the cracks," said Devlin, whose agency provides counselling to 28 remote communities in the Sioux Lookout zone.

CDC officials recommended the tracking system after the agency sought help in coping with one of the highest suicide rates in the world.

So far this year, there have been over 200 suicide attempts in the region—almost as many as in all of 1993—and seven suicides.

Half of the 24 suicide victims last year were girls or young women, including some young mothers, a very unusual finding, Devlin said.

"Anthropologists say that when girls or young

women kill themselves, it is a sign of a culture in its death throes," he said.

A 20-year-old man from Pikangikum—located about 200 kilometres north of Red Lake—killed himself last year.

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But recent publicity surrounding the conviction of Rowe on 28 sex-related charges involving 16 young boys at Wunnumin Lake in northwestern Ontario has stirred up the bad memories.

"I really felt good when I heard he'd been sentenced to six years," he said.

"But I felt so bad about not doing something sooner because of all the other victims. I thought I was the only one."

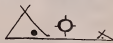
His parents are also haunted by guilt for not believing him sooner.

"My dad wants to kill him," he said.

He is planning to contact police to report his abuse and may also track down other young men whom he now suspects were abused by Rowe.

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In concert with this dramatic movement, the federal government announced the Brighter Futures Community Action Program for First

Nation and Inuit Communities in May, 1992 as part of its \$500 million Child Development Initiative on behalf of Canadian children.

The Community Action Program funds partnership activities to improve the health and well-being of children, families and communities. A major focus of the program is community mental health.

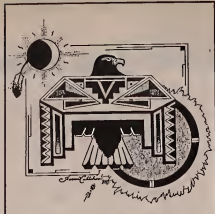
The program's mental health initiative is aimed at developing local community mental health programs to deal with problems such as suicide, family violence, sexual abuse, high delinquency rates, cultural oppression and family breakdown. The goal is to work through community partnerships to make mental health programming available to all community members.

This strategy is based on recommendations in a report entitled "Agenda for First Nations and Inuit Mental Health". The report is the result of extensive consultation between First Nations and Inuit communities to develop a strategic partnership to deal with mental health problems. The emphasis is on community-based solutions that stress psychological well-being and socially harmonious behaviour.

The various mental health programs being developed will likely reflect a diversity of needs, priorities and traditions among First Nation and Inuit communities. In the first year of the Brighter Futures Initiative (1992-93) each community was provided with funding to determine its needs and to develop strategic plans.

Specific goals of the mental health program include the development of appropriate community resources and programs to deal with mental health and child wellness issues; the development of a range of services, including referrals, prevention, intervention, treatment support, counselling and aftercare follow-up; increasing the level of knowledge and practical skills to facilitate healthy families and communities; and increasing the quality of service delivery.

In addition to the mental health component of the Brighter Futures Initiative a solvent abuse strategy has been planned. For years solvent abuse in most First Nations and Inuit communities went generally unnoticed, while its devastat-



tating effects took an enormous toll among children and youth.

Recently, national and international attention has been focused on the plight of the communities of Pikangikum, Manitoba, Davis Inlet, Labrador, and Attawapiskat, Ontario and their struggles to cope with the physical, mental and spiritual effects of solvent addiction.

In 1991, a First Nations Solvent Abuse working group was established to examine solvent abuse treatment needs in Canada. The following year, the Government of Canada announced the Brighter Futures Child Development Initiative. Under the initiative's First Nations and Inuit Community Action Program the problem of solvent abuse is being addressed with the development of early intervention programs, residential treatment programs and worker training programs for communities across the country.

Several national initiatives have also taken place. During the fall of 1993, the First Nations and Inuit Youth Solvent Abuse Survey and Study was completed. The survey and study focus on the extent and level of solvent abuse in Native communities and outline key components of solvent abuse intervention and treatment. This 18-month project received survey responses from 231 communities reporting more than 1,200 youth.

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# AIDS Awareness

## AIDS Drama to play in Calgary

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This is also the opening scene of the Dora Mavor Moore Award nominated play, *Brave Hearts*. The one act drama plays in Calgary September 29 to October 3, as part of AIDS Calgary's contribution to National AIDS Awareness Week.

*Brave Hearts* is the story of two men who meet by chance at a party outside of Saskatoon. It is the story of friendships and relationships in the age of AIDS; it is about fear of intimacy; it is about trust, and is about the universal human need for love and acceptance.

Although previously staged at Toronto's Buddies in Bad Times Theatre, *Brave Hearts* is a prairie play, from its Canmore-born playwright Harry Rintoul to its language and characters. G.W., for example, is the 25-year-old ranch hand with a wry sense of humour and a love for his horses. By contrast Rafe, a Wire Man for a local oil company, seems already bitter and cynical at 31. They're unlikely friends, but as the play unravels, they discover they share past secrets and present fears.

Directing the play is Coral Larson Thew, who has worked professionally in theatres from Vancouver to Montreal, and is currently finishing her thesis for the University of Calgary's Masters' In Directing Program. Edmonton-based actor Barry Thorson, who is currently preparing a tour



Actors Steve Gin and Nicholas Grew explore relationships in the age of AIDS in *Brave Hearts*

of his self-penned work *The Painter's Dream* to Australia, takes on the role of Rafe, while Calgary actor Steve Gin plays G.W.

Inspiration for the play came in part from the chance meeting of Thew, Gin, stage manager Susanah Windrum, and Montreal actor/musician Nicholas Grew (who played "Rafe" during initial workshops and readings) when they worked together this past summer writing environmental plays for Kananaskis Country.

"I feel strongly that *Brave Hearts* needs to be produced," says Larson Thew. "It is a play that speaks to and for everyone. Its themes are universal."

Stage manager Susanah Windrum agrees. "Working on a show like *Brave Hearts* incorporates everything I believe theatre should be. It's a process that allows people to share their knowledge and communicate in a creative way."

The urgency of the play was further punctuated by Health Canada's recent release of the Mens' Study, which focused on the importance of community and self-esteem in the prevention of HIV transmission. AIDS Calgary's response to the study has been the planning and implementation of their *Men With Men* program, which will begin information workshops with high risk populations of men this fall.

"Aside from being a beautiful piece of theatre," says Gin, "this play stands up and shows how afraid people are to love each other — God forbid, even to say it. And what's worse, that silence is a symptom of people not loving themselves, or feeling that they're unworthy of being loved."

The Gentle Night Theatre Company will be adapting the staging of *Brave Hearts* for the intimacy of Calgary's PumpHouse Theatre. As well, the cross racial casting of Gin, who has appeared in CBC's *North of 60* and the Native Dance Drama *Dance Me Born*, with Thorson is another adaptation.

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HIV stands for the human immunodeficiency virus. This virus shelters itself in the body as it slowly goes to work. The body's immune system is its protection against disease. Because HIV attacks the immune system, it causes a gradual destruction of the defence system. An infected person may develop an illness which appears something like infectious mononucleosis, within weeks of the virus entering the body. However, for many people it is not until much later that they begin to feel ill.

AIDS, which stands for Acquired Immunodeficiency Syndrome, is the end result of HIV infection. Everyone who has AIDS is infected with HIV, but the virus can take up to ten years to destroy the immune system without showing any symptoms. It's only when an infected person is obviously sick that they are said to have AIDS. By this time the defense system is so weak it can't fight off certain infections. People with AIDS live only about two years after they reach this stage.

During all the years a person has HIV infection, they can spread the virus through sexual intercourse, or sharing needles to inject drugs. An infected woman who becomes pregnant has about a 30 percent chance of passing HIV to her baby before or during birth.

There are no drugs or vaccines to prevent HIV infection. Each person must take responsibility for protecting themselves. If you are concerned talk with your partner. If you have been at risk have an HIV test. Avoid intercourse or always use a latex condom.

No doubt some people will continue to be confused about the difference between HIV and AIDS, but there is one thing about which there must be no confusion. Everyone has a role to play to stop the spread of HIV.

It may be difficult to believe some people are infected with HIV, the virus that leads to AIDS. They look well. It is easy to tell if a friend or family



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"I'm not worried, I've known him for years."

"You look pretty healthy to me."

"She's lived in this town all her life — she can't have AIDS."

member has a cold or the flu merely by looking at them or by asking them how they feel. Similarly, people with most chronic diseases know they are unwell and often look ill. Infection with HIV provides no such tell-tale signs.

People with HIV seem to be well. However, one can never assume anyone is free from HIV. It is a deceptive and dangerous virus.

A person can have HIV infection for up to ten years and appear perfectly healthy. People infected with HIV show no obvious signs of illness in the early stages of infection. The lack of signs, plus their denial of risk, may be why many do not take the blood test for HIV. They don't realize they are infected. And neither does anyone else.

Despite the fact that most Albertans know that HIV doesn't affect only gay or bi-sexual men and injection drugs users, evidence shows that the behaviour of many people continues to put them at risk. They think they can somehow "spot" HIV. Both men and women continue to pass the virus to their partners through unprotected sexual intercourse or by sharing needles to inject drugs.

In the past ten years, science has provided a more complete understanding of how HIV spreads and how the virus affects people living with the illness. Based on that understanding, more people are being cautious. They are protecting themselves from HIV.

We know that someone with HIV infection may look well and feel fine. Trusting appearances doesn't work as protection against HIV, AIDS and other sexually transmitted diseases. Practising 'safer sex' and not sharing injection drug equipment is our only protection. Do your part to stop the spread of HIV and AIDS. Let's face up to AIDS.

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# Ten Tips for Raising Sexually Healthy Children

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Here is a list of some tips that can be of use when talking about sexuality with your child:

1. Parents are the primary sexuality educators of their children. Make sure both parents are in on the teaching since both the same and opposite sexed parents are important.
2. If your child is old enough to ask the question, she/he is old enough to be given an answer. If the information is too advanced for the child they will just tune it out.
3. When answering questions, use the correct terms for body parts and sexual behaviours. Cute names only lead to further confusion.
4. The one time "birds and bees" lecture is not enough information to allow your child to be prepared to deal with adolescent and adult situations. Use teachable moments throughout the life cycle to talk to your child.
5. In the majority of cases an adolescent's first sexual encounter is under the influence of drugs and/or alcohol. Thus when talking about sexuality, also talk about drug and alcohol use.
6. Your actions speak as loud as your words. A child picks up messages from the behaviours of those around them as well as what is said aloud. Also be aware that television, videos, movies and music give strong sexual messages to your children.
7. It is now compulsory for schools in Alberta to teach sexuality education at the junior high school level. Make yourself aware of both what is being taught and who is teaching it.
8. Adolescents by nature are often rebellious; the "just say no" message, whether it be about drugs, alcohol or sexual activities, often falls on deaf ears. Teach your adolescent how to make responsible, healthy decisions from a young age that will help to protect them.
9. Adolescents become sexually active for vari-



ous reasons including being part of the gang and to feel loved. Keep the lines of communication open in your home so your adolescent does not feel they have to go out of the family to get their emotional needs met.

10. One in four females and one in ten males are sexually abused by eighteen years of age and one in six females gets pregnant before twenty years of age. Equip both males and females with the knowledge necessary to protect themselves and to hopefully keep them from becoming a statistic.

In conclusion, raising sexually healthy children today, with all the outside influences, is not easy. Your best bet is to be honest with your children and teach them how to make responsible decisions for themselves as they grow.

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# Stress Management

## DANGER AND OPPORTUNITY

by Graeme T. Clark, the Aspen Group, Psychologists

In the 90s, Native peoples are being exposed to rapid change — economic, political, social, and often personal. Many changes may be welcomed as long overdue. But others, such as job loss, culture shock, or increasing stress, often lead to personal crisis and upheaval. How do people face the test of coping with these unwelcome changes?

Personal crisis presents both danger and opportunity. When overwhelmed, a person may easily lose trust and faith in oneself, in others or even in life itself. Withdrawal into helplessness, lethargy or social isolation may be appealing. Numbing or other ways of avoiding the pain will work temporarily, but are usually harmful in the long run. Overwhelmed with pain and worry, a person may be blinded to the possibilities that are also part of crisis and change.

Stop a moment to consider. Say you've lost your job. There are at least five steps you can take to assist yourself in getting back on track. These steps can be taken by the individual person, but they apply just the same to one's family.

Personal safety is a necessary first. A person needs a dry roof, food, a safe place to rest and collect oneself. Without these basics, little else can be accomplished.

Second, a person can care for oneself emotionally. Take some time to acknowledge that "Yes, I'm in shock, I can't believe what has happened, and I don't know what to do... I have losses and regrets and I'm fearful for my future." You needn't dwell on feeling sorry for yourself, at least not for long, but you can be your own best friend by giving yourself the time and space to do some emotional healing.

Third, once you are safe from the most immediate threats and have begun to cope with the initial shock, you can begin to take stock. Rather than dwell on how terrible the situation is, you can choose to step out of the everyday pressure in an effort to gain perspective. "What resources do I possess in spite of these problems?" This step is a very big way to be your own best friend. Under pressure, one is easily blinded to strengths and resources, thinking there is "nothing I can do and there is nothing I have

to offer." On the contrary, ask yourself empowering questions: How have I been successful in the past? How have I survived other troubled times? What skills have I used in previous jobs or other situations, be they people skills, organizational skills or practical know-how? (Have you ever noticed how many organizing skills the average homemaker has?) What are the ideas and aspirations I won't dare let myself think, because I don't think I can succeed? People are often surprised that if they make a commitment to some plan that stretches their capabilities, unexpected gifts come their way to help them out.

Fourth, consider to whom you can turn for support and guidance, in either practical terms, emotional terms or spiritual terms. Turning to others you trust not only helps share the burden emotionally, but also opens the possibility of new ideas and collective strength. Somewhere, each person has friends, family, band leaders, Elders or other professional people from whom to draw.

Fifth, while taking the opportunity to gain perspective and to draw on your social network, continue to set small goals for yourself. It is important to set goals that you can achieve. Keep a regular daily routine. Make an appointment a day or set one task you can accomplish for sure. Give yourself recognition for surviving and moving ahead, one day at a time.

In summary, there are no guarantees for success but there certainly are steps each person can take to maximize the opportunity in crisis while lessening the danger.

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To date, the government continues to acknowledge only the problems of the past and have not fully recognized the needs of today's First Nations people.

**We must come to grips with the rampant use of alcohol and drug abuse amongst our people.**

Today's government must introduce "new legislation" that would support programs which are required by First Nations health givers.

We must assess and clearly identify the health issues and concerns before us.

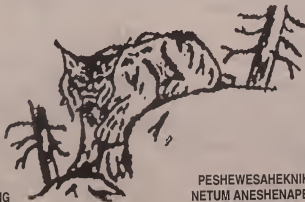
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# Viewpoint



## Sty's Pen



### This is about leaders

by Del Sty

We white folk are at a loss when it comes to understanding Native leadership. You will know this by the flailing manner we go around trying to describe Ovide Mercredi, Grand Chief, Assemblée of First Nations, as the "eleventh" premier of Canada. It is interesting to hear the white folks gush on about the "constitutionality" of the ancient longhouse.

In reality, to such an organized race as we, the sheer fragmentation of bands and reserves and First Nations and settlements and status and non-status and C-31 and Metis, to be honest it frightens us.

To the white folk like me and my kin, the best we've been able to establish is a sort of "separate but equal" understanding.

Of course, I like to think I have a better understanding than your average white. There is no doubt to me that Canada's First Nation people do their politicking at the community level.

In my opinion the most powerful entity in First Nations politics is the family. Moms and Pops are the leaders in First Nations communities, rather than leaders and premiers. Frankly, unlike

whites, Natives do more than pay lip-service to the sanctity of the family.

Native friends of mine have always had strong family relations which have been fostered in close-knit communities. As always this has had both good and bad effects (the sociology of which escapes this discussion). But brothers and cousins are very often the best of friends, or sadly, the bitterest of enemies.

Obviously certain families may become very powerful within these small or medium-sized communities. Sometimes the political organization of a particular band will revolve entirely around one family.

The benefit from this is that a small community will have all its members pulling together for the common good through all times of hardship. One has only to look at the survival of the scattered First Nations to recognize that powerful families pulled them through miserable times these past few decades.

The problem with this kind of political organization is that internal problems can explode into feuding in which, most often, the important people in the community withdraw from one another. Nothing gets done, everyone pulls apart, and such feuds do not burn out until a whole generation has passed.

Now that is as far as my understanding goes.

Naturally there are moral lessons and character building mysteries that communities pass along to their members. A community is incomplete without these characters. Some of them turn into leaders. Some turn into followers. Some



perish.

And now I'd like to add one final opinion to the clamour about what a Native leader is.

Historically the First Nations have been nations hidden even to themselves, bound loosely by language and traditional values but not by a concentrated political interest.

So if we have seen First Nations define new reasons to join together, to federate, then Grand Chief Ovide Mercredi will not emerge as the premier of this federation. More likely he would be president of these recently federated and newly allied states.

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# Role Models

## New president appointed to business council

George E. Lafond has recently been appointed president of the Canadian Council for Aboriginal Business (CCAB).

"This is CCAB's 10-year anniversary and I think it's fitting that the Council's first Aboriginal president be appointed this year," said C.E.O. Patrick Lavelle. "The changes taking place in Aboriginal Canada in the next 10 years will far outstrip what has taken place in the past decade. The pace is picking up, but the outcome is even more uncertain."

Mr. Lafond, a Cree from the Muskeg Lake First Nation in Saskatchewan, has over 15 years experience working with Aboriginal youth, governments and the non-Aboriginal community on education, heritage and economic development. He holds a Bachelor of Education degree from the University of Saskatchewan.

Prior to joining CCAB, Mr. Lafond worked with the leadership of the Saskatchewan Tribal Council including serving as a Director of Health. He also worked as Senior Policy advisor at the Office of the Minister of Indian Affairs and Northern Development in Ottawa; Senior Manager, Aboriginal Banking at the Bank of Montreal; and Secondary Educator at the Saskatoon Public School Board.

Mr. Lafond said it is a great honour to take up the position of president. "I want to ensure the Council reaches out to the Aboriginal communities and especially Aboriginal youth to enable our people to take a rightful place in all sectors of the Canadian and international economy. We

can do this by forging alliances with private and public sectors and by ensuring our people and our culture are welcomed and respected in every work place."

Mr. Lafond's professional and community affiliations include Siksika Nation Tribal Administration Entrepreneurship Society; Saskatoon United Way; Governor General's Canadian Study Conference 1995; Wanuskewin Heritage Park; and Economic Strategy Committee of the Economic Development Authority of Saskatchewan.

CCAB is a national, non-profit organization that brings together Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal people for mutually beneficial partnerships in employment, education, networking and



business ventures. Through its chapters in Vancouver, Calgary, Winnipeg, Saskatoon and Toronto, CCAB also provides employment equity counselling and cross-cultural training.

## AIDS Drama

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"It won't change the meaning of the play, and we wouldn't want that at all either," says Gin. "But like Sharon Pollock's cross-racial casting of *Salt-Water Moon* a few years ago at Theatre New Brunswick, I think it will add a whole new layer to the show...and it's definitely a strong enough script to accommodate that extra layer."

*Brave Hearts* plays at Calgary's Pumphouse Theatre, 2140 Pumphouse Road S.W., at 8:00 p.m. on the evenings of September 29 and 30; October 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8. Matinees will also play on Saturdays October 1 and 8 at 2:00 p.m. A portion of the revenue generated by the show will be donated to AIDS Calgary.

Tickets for *Brave Hearts* can be purchased through the AIDS Calgary office by phoning (403) 228-0155, or in person at 300, 1021 - 10th Avenue S.W. Tickets are \$10 each, or \$8 for students, seniors and the unwaged; both Visa and Mastercard are accepted on advance tickets. A limited number of tickets may be available at the door, but consider buying in advance to avoid disappointment.

The performers in *Brave Hearts* appear courtesy of the Canadian Actors' Equity Association. Audiences should be aware that the play contains strong language and adult themes.

## Victims

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Thompson RCMP Sgt. Allan Watson said police expect the publicity about Rowe could spark a wave of disclosures.

Worried Split Lake residents have met with the RCMP to develop a plan for identifying and offering help to Rowe's victims.

Chief Norman Flett said band leaders asked for the meeting because they believe Rowe abused other young men from their community.

"We have suspected for some time that there are others but it will take time for some of them to disclose," explained Flett, leader of the community of 2,000 located 120 kilometres north-

east of Thompson.

"We want to be able to assist them as much as possible when they do."

Child welfare workers, health-care staff, police and other residents plan to set up a support network for victims.

"It's a very delicate matter," Flett said. "But we know it affects people long-term... The sad thing is a lot of the community put their trust in him. The fact that he was a minister of the church meant that we never suspected him before that."

"When we look back, there were some suspicions among some of the young men," Flett noted. "Maybe it's our fault in the community for not taking it seriously enough."

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Canada's Inuit, Metis and Indian people will be the recipients of the awards that are designed to promote Native advancement in all fields of endeavour.

Bell, a 41 year old Mohawk, originally from the Kahnawake Reserve in Ontario, says recognition towards Native people is long overdue and commented that great Native achievers have been overlooked for years.

Bell says the awards are meant to invoke "unity, pride and role models."

Included in the twelve categories of awards for business, arts and science accomplishments, is one lifetime achievement award.

The first awards ceremony was held last February in Ottawa at a well-attended festivity that was staged by the Canadian Native Art Founda-

tion. Bell, who has put his Broadway career on hold for the moment, directed four symphonies across Canada in the past year and says he's encouraging anyone with an endorsement to make sure they get their nomination in on time.

"There are many Native achievers," he said, "but so far they haven't received the honour they deserve."

Nominations can be sent to the National Aboriginal Achievement Awards Centre in Montreal.

## Nechi announces 1993 Winners

Eight provincial winners win \$200 each for their efforts to raise awareness of alcohol, drug and solvent abuse within their communities. The B.C. winner is St. Mary's Indian Band which is to be congratulated for their outstanding program of awareness activities.

The contest is held each year to encourage communities across Canada to celebrate National Addictions Awareness Week and to adopt a lifestyle that supports sobriety and good health.

"This year's contest showed expanding interest across the country and increasing community involvement," said National Addictions Awareness Week Co-ordinator, Louise Mayo.

"We are encouraged by this growing support for community well-being, which we see not only during National Addictions Awareness Week, but every day of the year."

Nechi Institute received 17 submissions for the 1993 Community Involvement Contest. Judges from across Canada selected the eight provincial winners. Of the eight winners, a second panel of judges selected the Hudson Bay Composite High School, Hudson Bay, Saskatchewan, as the National Winner. As a result, the Hudson Bay Composite High School received an additional \$300 for being selected the National Winner.

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This next spring;

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O Great Spirit,  
We ask of You.

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# Gatherings

## Annual pilgrimage aided by good weather

By John Copley

The crowd neared thirty thousand. The weather was about as nice as it can be. The 105th annual pilgrimage to Lac Ste. Anne was underway.

Lac Ste. Anne is home to the oldest Roman Catholic mission west of Winnipeg. Founded in 1843, the mission once played an important role in the lives of Aboriginal people—and that importance seems to be intact.

The waters of Lac Ste. Anne are believed, by many, to have mysterious powers—powers that heal the body and provide hope that dreams and prayers can be answered. Each and every year thousands of Native people from across western Canada trek to the lake that's located about 45 kilometres west of Edmonton.

The long candle-light procession is an awe-some sight as it winds its way toward the lake for the initial opening of the festivities. In the background stands the Lac Ste. Anne Mission. Inside, the walls are filled with a variety of crutches and canes—left by those who claimed to have been healed by the waters of the lake. Solutions to the problems of drugs and alcohol were among the main invocations spoken to at this year's pilgrimage. And many prayed for loved ones or relatives who were suffering some type of anguish or despair. Others were returning for the umpteenth time—their belief in miracles unshattered by the fact that to date they have not been cured.

Ken Nanemahoo, a recovered alcoholic, claimed the lake's waters gave him the strength he needed to get through difficult times. "Personally," he said, "it's hard to describe. Through my faith—through my courage—through my belief... it has somehow given me the strength and the will power that I never had before to help overcome my problems with alcohol."

The lines to Archbishop Peter Sulton were long and slow but many stayed until the end in order to receive his blessing. Don Sutton who drove his car from Saskatoon in order to make his eighth consecutive trip said he came more "for the social aspect and to visit with old friends who I only get to see once a year."

The five day event attracts different people for different reasons. Some plan their holidays around the event and some stay long after the pilgrimage is officially over. Few are rushed to leave before the finale—and this year's weather made the water all the more easier to enter. And



enter they did. Thousands strolled arm in arm through the shallow waters near the edge of the lake singing songs and praising miracles that had not yet happened.

Fred Janvier weighed in at less than 135 pounds when he had a cancerous lung removed a couple of years ago. Then the disease spread and doctors told him he'd "have to go it on my own." He did. Now he claims the doctors tell him that his cancer is gone.

"They say there's nothing—nothing. My cancer is gone and they don't know how," he added, saying that he has a strong reason to believe that the waters of Lac Ste. Anne helped to cure him.

Roger Donaldson, a 62 year old retired shop owner from Grande Prairie, says his pilgrimage treks began in 1954 at the urging of his late wife. "She insisted that one could truly be recovered from physical ailments" and admits that though he likes to believe in the mysterious powers of the lake, he hasn't had any real opportunity to put the rumour to the test. "So far, I'm in pretty good shape—I don't want to be asking for something before it's time—I might last even longer that way," he joked at the conclusion of our conversation.

Whether or not one can believe that the lake truly does hold some miraculous dose of recovery

seems to be determinate on the person involved.

Paul Ladouceur who trekked in from north of Hay River said "if a person believes strongly enough in anything I think it's possible for it to happen. The mind of man is a strange and complex thing—and I really don't believe that anyone really understands just how powerful the human brain can be if determination and steadfastness abide."

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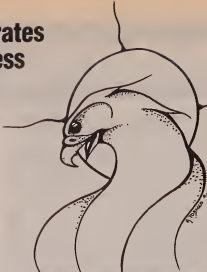
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drug abuse in our communities is celebrating its twentieth anniversary this month.

"The founding principle of the Nechi Institute on Alcohol and Drug Education was that Native people can most effectively counsel other Native people. We have more than 2500 graduates of our program who can attest to the success of that principle," says Butch Wolfleg.

Today, the Nechi Institute, located on the outskirts of Edmonton, trains members of the helping professions to acquire the knowledge, skills, attitude and cultural orientation required to reduce the suffering caused by substance abuse through the vicious cycle of substance abuse themselves, and upon recovering, have vowed to help their comrades and the many youth of the First Nations return to healthy lifestyles. Others are family members who witnessed the destruction of an addicted loved one.

"The original organizers were Eric Shirt and a group of concerned Native people," explains Wolfleg. "Eric Shirt was our guiding force as he had been involved in a similar program in California." Shirt and the others founded Poundmaker's Lodge, a treatment centre for Aboriginal people, in Edmonton's downtown area in 1973. "It wasn't long before he was looking for a training facility which would guide staff members along a path of culturally-relevant training methods, and Nechi was born in 1974."

Wolfleg was a graduate in 1976. Originally a member of the Blackfoot reserve in southern Alberta, he has enjoyed training and working at Nechi since his graduation and has seen the Institute grow. "One fact that needs to be emphasized is that the success we have attained in our programs is due to a huge degree to the input

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of elders who have guided and encouraged us right from the beginning," he says. The training programs themselves are founded on the basic values which the elders incorporated into the curriculum and teaching methods. "And when budget cuts or other setbacks discouraged us, and we were ready to quit, they encouraged us to carry on and to look elsewhere for resources so nothing was lost," he says.

Even though many of the elders who were present in the formative stages twenty years ago have now passed away, their teachings live on. "They left us with a good solid base," Wolfleg says.

Nechi is funded jointly by AADAC (Alberta Alcohol and Drug Abuse Commission) and the Department of Health and Welfare. Fourteen Nechi staff work at the facility. At any one time up to 48 trainees are in residence. As well, staff goes out of province to train, often in remote areas.

"Employees of more than 40 different agencies which are active in Native communities receive their training through Nechi. Some are from Pre-Employment, Summer Youth, or Prison Inmate Programs. Others are caring individuals, sometimes volunteers, of alcohol programs, or social service agencies. And they come from both urban and remote rural settings all over Canada," says Wolfleg. Graduates now include non-Aboriginals as well as Aboriginals.

Nechi recently conducted a survey of its graduates and found encouraging statistics to back up its success rate. "Over 62 percent of our graduates had from two to five years of sobriety and 47 percent had moved directly into managerial or leadership positions," says Wolfleg. In addition, 23 percent had gone into further post secondary education.

Many graduates, former staff, and board members have phoned to express their enthusiasm and interest in returning for the anniversary celebrations. "We expect up to 400 to attend a fun-filled day on August 20 here at the Institute," says Wolfleg.

Eric Shirt has recently been setting up similar programs in Australia, leaving his very capable brother Pat as director of Poundmaker's Lodge, but he will return to celebrate the anniversary. "It will be a highlight of the day to have him here. He will recall the dream that was Poundmaker's Nechi and help us to envision the future." Maggie Hodgson, long-time executive director of the Nechi Institute will also be on hand. Other features of the 1:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m. celebrations include a reception, and music and dancing to the up-and-coming band Redwood from the Sarcee Nation.

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# Elders gather to heal and share

by Deborah Shatz-Moser

The Elder's Medicine Wheel Society is a voluntary non-profit, non-political organization based in Sardin, B.C. Their goal is to assist the building of communities based on the principles of peace, harmony, balance and unity.

To this end the Elder's Medicine Wheel are hosting the second Medicine Wheel gathering in Sto:lo Territory at St. Mary's in Mission. This gathering will take place August 18 - 21 upon sacred ground.

Spiritual Elders and people from all directions will gather for four days and four nights, to share the cultural and spiritual teachings of the Medicine Wheel. Some of the activities that will take place at this year's gathering will be: talking circles, story-telling, Sweet Lodge for healing, Moon Lodge and the Medicine Wheel ceremony.

"Many people who attended last year's Medicine Wheel gathering have expressed their good feelings that were experienced and are eagerly awaiting this year's event," states one of the Medicine Wheel's founding Elders, Mary Uslick.

"This gathering will be a time to heal ourselves, our families, our communities and Mother Earth," she adds.

The Elder's Medicine Wheel Society was established in 1993, under the guidance and direction of the following Elders: Mary Uslick - Shuswap Nation, Minnie Peters - Thompson Nation, Christine Daniels - Cree Nation, Vince Stogan - Musqueam Nation, Elizabeth Kruger - Okanagan Nation, and Napoleon Kruger - Okanagan Nation.

The founding Elders explain the purpose of their society and the reason for the gathering as follows:

"The Elders hold a strong belief that it is time to share the teachings of our Ancestors. The spirit of our Ancestors who have walked before us carried the wisdom and teachings through many hard times. The Ancestors passed these teachings down from one generation to the next so that it would not be lost, but would go on forever."

"The Elders believe that the time is right to gather the people together and share all of the Medicine that brought our People through many struggles and much suffering. It is extremely important to share these teachings at this point in time, when so many of our people are struggling with today's problems, such as alcohol and drug abuse, and those many other problems that stem from these abuses, such as poor health, loss of identity, loss of culture, unemployment, violence and disunity."

"This sharing will take place through teaching by returning to ceremony, ritual, prayer, and by using the wisdom of our ancestors to heal ourselves and each other. It is the time to open our hearts and our experiences so that others may share the journey with us and find their own path of healing through the joy of their own spirit. Each of us is here to learn from each other, to live in harmony, balance, peace and unity. Our purpose is to promote a truer and better understanding between all Nations, all creeds, all Clans, all tribes, all communities and all families through the Teachings of the Medicine Wheel."

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# Viewpoint

## INQUIRY SOUGHT INTO INDIAN RESIDENTIAL SCHOOLS

by John Copley

There is no defence and no excuse. The Roman Catholic church did wrong and Ovide Mercredi, leader of Canada's Indian people and Grand Chief of the Assembly of First Nations (AFN) says he wants a thorough inquiry.

After the recent release of a 200 page report (*Breaking the Silence*) that was prepared for the AFN by two Alberta psychologists, Mercredi likened the situation between the church and Native people to that of Hitler's Nazi party and their persecution of the Jewish race.

"The Jews under the Nazi regime—they were mistreated. Does that lessen the guilt of the people who were responsible for their treatment? I don't think so! It was and is wrong—whether it was acceptable to the population of that time or not."

*Breaking the Silence* contains a variety of shocking, but already well-known (at least among Native people) facts that depict former Catholic church practices against Aboriginal people as brutally savage and without thought or concern for those they mistreated.

Though the report concentrates on only 13 Indian men and women who attended residential schools, there are many, many more victims of the abuse they perpetrated. In 1988 I also did a survey and a lengthy story about the residential school at Lac La Biche. The era of my investigation was limited to half a dozen Indians and Metis who attended during the 1950's. The stories were horrendous. They back up the current report in

that virtually all types of emotional, physical, mental and spiritual suffering was caused to those unfortunate enough to have attended the school. Rapes, beatings, electrocution, starvation, and months of solitary confinement were but a few of the tortures endured by Indian and Metis alike.

To speak one's own language was to invoke the worst beatings imaginable. To speak at any time, unless you were spoken to, met with similar punishment. In the mid 50's if one even spoke of the Creator or in any other way commented or was thought to comment on Indian religion, they could be literally beaten to death—"if not worse", say several who attended during that time.

The schools, which operated for more than a hundred years (1850s-1970s), are the focus of a new call for a full investigation from the AFN. The assembly wants a full apology and compensation packages. The compensation would go into the communities whose children had attended the schools.

Rejecting the idea that the general public supported the schools, Mercredi said they would never have condoned the abuse that went on there if they had known it was occurring. He said the public was not aware and in fact, were ignorant of Indian affairs at that time.

James Weisgerber, general secretary of the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops, said the government approved the schools and therefore should bear some of the responsibility. In an interview with Jack Aubrey of the *Ottawa Citizen*, Weisgerber said the church was not trying to exonerate itself in the matter, but instead wanted the federal government to accept their share of the blame.

"The churches were willing agents and the Catholic church has made it very clear it wants to live up to its responsibilities," Weisgerber said.

In Alberta, 11 of the 16 residential schools for Native children were operated by the Roman Catholic church. The United Church operated two while the Anglican's ran the remaining three. The United Church of Canada has a task force currently studying their role and behaviour during their tenure at the residential schools.

The schools were created and subsequently administered by the Department of Indian Affairs.

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## Iqaluit students win Canada's first "Earth School" title

by Paula Ingarfield

Joamie School in Iqaluit has only 206 students. But that didn't stop this Northwest Territories elementary school from winning the prestigious title of Canada's first Earth School. Joamie beat over 3,700 schools across the country by becoming the first to log 1,000 environmental projects.

The Earth School program is sponsored by the Edmonton-based SEEDS foundation. Schools enrolled in the program compete by completing environmental projects, writing them up and logging them with SEEDS. Kids who complete 100 projects win their school a "Green" designation; 250 projects make it a "Jade" school; and with 500 projects, the school becomes "Emerald."

Joamie School achieved its Earth School status in just 15 months. "At first it was hard, but it got easier," says Grade 6 student Lucy Kaku. "Because then, we got interested," adds classmate Jayko Kilabuk. "Because when we did more, we began to understand."

Joamie was the first in the Northwest Territories to become a Green School; the fourth in Canada to gain Jade status and the second in the country to become Emerald. The students were so enthusiastic about the project that they logged



in 200 projects over their 1993 summer holidays.

Students' projects included recycling pop cans and paper, reusing old milk cartons, cleaning up garbage around ponds and a fashion show featuring only recycled materials.

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The premise of the education and leadership program is that substance abuse throws the mental, physical and spiritual harmony of the human body off balance. True serenity comes only from restoring and maintaining the human values we were born with.

Major benefits of the Vision Quest Program include the ability to focus more clearly on future goals, to develop and maintain healthier peer group interactions and to increase one's desire to discover and cultivate personal development. The program assists individuals in investing in their own potential.

Anderson explains that the Edmonton-based Vision Quest is not a new program but rather new ideas "evolving into a new reality for our nation's people. Our job as leaders is to teach our young people to be better than us, to be stronger than us, and to know a lot more than we do by the time they reach our age. If we do not do this then we are not doing our job (we need stronger and better leaders for the future of all nations). As the President of Vision Quest, it is my job to ensure that the message we deliver is solid, real and entertaining yet to the point. All issues or topics discussed by our trainers are not only a part of our program but also are a part of our lives. If we change on the inside our outside has no choice but to follow. There is nothing permanent in life but change."

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of traditional values, self-growth and Native pride. It increases understanding of the effects of alcohol, drug and solvent abuse. It develops lead-

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- appreciate active outdoor healthy lifestyles.

The project is a partnership among the following: students, schools, school boards and boards of education, local communities, The Canadian Association for Safe Schools, Employment and Immigration Canada, the Ontario Ministry of Culture, Tourism and Recreation, and the Bark Lake Leadership Centre.

While at the Bark Lake facility, the youths participate in a five day residential course, in teams of eight to 12. The teams have School Team Mentors, professional educators who are selected by school principals and work closely with the students. The mentor is responsible for team development prior to the residential experience, on-site team management during the residential experience, and helping with planning, implementation and evaluation of a project which the team carries out to benefit the school.

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The curriculum of the five-day course at the Bark Lake Leadership Centre includes issues dealing with at-risk school life, group and leadership skills training, team project planning for the school, and outdoor adventure skill training.

The team and group development components include peer counselling and tutoring, teacher/student relationships, team building, personal and team project action plans, and rewarding of excellence and achievement.

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For further information on the Youth Leadership Challenge Project, contact The Canadian Association for Safe Schools, 5050 Yonge Street, North York, Ontario, M2N 6N8. The telephone number is (416) 395-8433, and the fax number is 395-4508.



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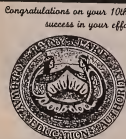
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# Artist's inspiration is close to home

by John Copley

Fran Cross is an artist who dreams of owning her own store—a store where she can work with children and “help ensure they have a fighting chance at life.”

She's just an inch over five feet tall but she says what she thinks and doesn't take guff from anyone. A 34 year old mother of three, Fran Cross also takes on the role of “acting father” to her three children, aged 11 through 17. She says her honesty of opinion has often resulted in disagreements with friends, strangers and business acquaintances. But her upbringing tells her to be strong and to be true and to promote the awareness of her culture and to somehow overcome the prejudices that still prevail in our society.

Cross's varied artistic abilities are reflected in the many artifacts that fill her modest home. Her talent, she says, stems from a long history of doers.

“My mother (Jean Horseman) is a very creative person and my early upbringing made certain that I had an appreciation for art.” As well as other things. “Many of society's problems today have to do with parenting skills,” says Cross who added that her home life was a positive one—and that virtually everyone had a keen interest in music, crafts or some other form of art.

Though employed and living in Edmonton, Cross's home is in northern Alberta where she is a member of the Horse Lake Band. Raised mainly in B.C., Cross travelled widely with her truck-driving father (Fred Gladue) and says that this enabled her “to meet more people, see more things and gain a better insight into life than many other kids my age.” She says it was the strong family bond that kept her “heritage wealthy in love and strong on the belief that if you worked hard enough, you could accomplish any goals” you set.

Fran Cross is gradually accomplishing her goals but says only when she is in a position to teach kids about their traditional values and the importance of retaining their culture, will she be totally satisfied. She's currently planning on introducing a new idea to aid in her teaching quest.

“I think my newest art conception, “Harmony”, will play an integral role in helping Aboriginal kids better understand their culture,” Cross said showing her work. Harmony is an adaptation of the Dream Catcher.

“Harmony is a symbol of our world,” Cross said. “It means peace and harmony throughout; the peace pipe meaning peace; the round rings representing the people of the world—the four sides representing the seasons. The web is the dream catcher; all the people seeking peace and harmony in every nation. We have the right to enjoy peace and harmony of race, colour, gender, religion, and social origin. That's the message I try to inspire from my work.”

Cross says that regardless of gender “all of us are equal and we all have the same opportunities.” She thinks the welfare system is man's worst creation. “It created a complacent segment of society—a segment that will need total retraining and rehabilitation before they have any chance of survival in the working world. Many have been on the system for so long they can't remember anything else.”

Cross says she's one of the fortunate few, in that the Horse Lake Band “has a very good chief in Robert Horseman—a very progressive thinker who has already done much for the members of the Band.” She says the chief “has established a firehall, a public works, a medical centre and has

implemented a working housing program.”

Cross's art takes on a variety of forms other than “Harmony”. Moose hide is her present favourite working material. Clocks, beautifully coloured tapestry covers and matching lamps as well as numerous dream catchers adorn the walls of her home.

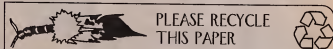
“I must admit,” smiled Cross jokingly, “I do have a certain flair for creativity.” She says she's learned much from her children and that they are also interested and have abilities in artistry. “We learn much from our children and if we spend some time with them, they can learn much from us too,” she added saying that she felt too many adults were shirking their responsibility as parents and that communication in the home was fast losing ground.

Cross is still an amateur in the true sense of the word. So far her works have not been offered for sale—but it's likely you'll notice them soon.

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Fran Cross



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One spring morning, a young woman and her little brother set out to check their muskrat traps. Usually a trapper had to check them at least twice a day because muskrats were quite plentiful at the time. They travelled over a short portage to one of a cluster of small lakes which were numerous on their trap line. They were entering a small cove and heading towards a stand of bulrushes and grass when the boy pointed out across the small lake to where a herd of five caribou stood watching their movements.

The young woman whispered to her brother to sit down and wait because a caribou is sometimes curious and would eventually come across to check the objects sitting on the ice. And sure enough the five animals started slowly across, sniffing the air, trying to catch the scent of the mysterious small black specks in the distance. Meanwhile the girl got her .22 rifle ready and some bullets. Soon a large male got close to them and stood waiting for the others to catch up with him.



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The young woman lifted her rifle to her shoulder quickly as all the animals stood abreast of their leader and shot the first animal. That one went down right away as she reloaded as swiftly as she could and shot another animal. By this time the rest of the herd had fled and they heard them crashing through the woods.



The first animal that was shot had managed to get to its feet and was just disappearing among the spruce trees along the shore. The second caribou lolled its head back and forth as the girl and little boy walked up to him. The girl took out a small hatchet from a pack sack they were carrying and chopped it on the back of the neck.



When they were certain the animal was dead, they trailed the other one and followed its bloody tracks into the spruce trees. Not long afterwards they caught up to him as it stopped to rest. It stood facing them as blood flowed from its nostrils. The girl shot the animal on the chest again and when it went down they crept closer and shot it one more time just to make sure it was dead.



They walked home from there and got a team of dogs, harnessed them and started back to where they had left the two caribou. They didn't even carry a knife for butchering them, but pulled the two animals onto the sled and let the dogs carry the carcasses back to their cabin while they jogged behind the load.



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# Institute of American Indian Arts names new president

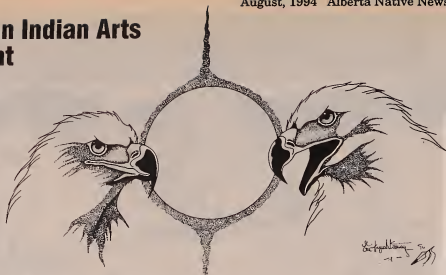
Dr. Perry G. Horse (Kiowa) has recently been appointed president of the Institute of American Indian Arts. Horse received his Doctorate in Higher Education from the University of Arizona and his Masters in Education from Harvard University's Graduate School of Education.

Dr. Horse, 53, is a full-blooded member of the Kiowa Tribe of Oklahoma. Originally from Carnegie, Oklahoma, he and his wife Eva and their two children Crucita and Jon reside in Albuquerque, New Mexico. One of the Kiowa Tribe's singers, Horse is a member of two traditional societies — the Gourd Clan and the Kiowa O-ho-mah Lodge. His uncle was Monroe Teatoko, one of the "Kiowa Five" artists from the early part of this century.

Horse has worked in Indian post secondary education for the past 24 years including management of community college development programs and with Indian education and post secondary programs in federal agencies.

Horse has consulted on strategic and institutional planning and staff development for a number of tribal colleges across the country, and was instrumental in developing the American Indian Higher Education Consortium, which now is comprised of 29 member institutions. He has been an advisor to The MacArthur Foundation on funding for tribal colleges and the Albuquerque Public Schools on developing an American Indian cultural curriculum.

Horse has taught tribal government and Federal Indian law for the Institute for Development of Indian Law, now based in Oklahoma City, and has taught in the Education and Economics Departments at the University of Arizona, and in the Department of Social Science at Harvard. Most recently, he has been in charge of leadership and management development at Sandia National Laboratories in Albuquerque.



It is the perception of Dr. Horse that, "The expression of four cultures through works of art is almost as old as our existence. That is to say we are art and vice-versa. Art is another way of defining ourselves not only aesthetically but in terms of how we view the world based on that part of us that is uniquely culture-specific and emotionally appealing."

The Institute of American Indian Arts was founded in 1962 by the Department of the Interior. In 1988, the U.S. Congress granted the non-profit educational institution the unique status as a congressional-chartered educational institute devoted to the study of American Indian and Alaska Native arts and culture. IAlA is governed by a 19-member Board of Trustees who are nominated by the President of the United States and confirmed by the U.S. Senate. A majority of its voting members are mandated by law to be American Indian or Alaska Native.

## Native professor receives scholarship to study at Stanford

Verna St. Denis, a member of the Beatty Band of Saskatchewan and an education professor at the University of Saskatchewan, has received a \$15,000 scholarship to start work on her doctorate at Stanford University in the United States. She will begin work this fall.

The Saskatoon StarPhoenix reports that St. Denis' thesis will deal with the principles and philosophy of Native education in North America, both historically and in the Native education system of today. According to St. Denis, many political, cultural and social issues have influenced the education of Native people, and much of the research done in this field has been from a non-Native perspective. She also said that many differences exist between traditional Native teachings and the educational system in Canada.

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# Stay-in-School is a community success story

The Stay-in-School initiative has become a community success story, making significant gains in expanding knowledge, action, collaboration and moral obligation among Canadians to find solutions to the disturbing high school dropout problem.

Those are the findings of an independent report, called *Taking Stock: An Assessment of the National Stay-in-School Initiative*, recently released by the Secretary of State (Training and Youth) Ethel Blondin-Andrew.

The report was commissioned by the Department of Human Resources Development to determine the impact of the five-year federal initiative. The report offers 28 recommendations which provide a vision for the future of the Stay-in-School initiative, including increased involvement of parents, promoting business-education partnerships and focusing on lifelong learning and success-in-school.

The information was gathered by surveys, interviews and site visits to gain insights into the workings of exemplary Stay-in-School programs.

"In recent years, there has been a growing awareness among Canadians of the need for greater involvement in the learning process of our young people," said Ms. Blondin-Andrew. "Stay-in-School played a central role in spurring community action to help at-risk youth complete high school."

Some report highlights:

- Partners in the initiative reported the program was extremely worthwhile and cost-effective.

- Success rates validate the worth of the project: 84 percent of students receiving interventions funded under SIS were reported to have remained in school in 1992-93, and almost half of the SIS coordinators stated that only 25 percent of those students would have continued without SIS.

- Recommendations for the future of Stay-in-School interventions include: parental, business and labour involvement are areas which must be nurtured; a new focus on lifelong learning should be adopted; and, a media campaign which reflects regional issues regarding SIS would be helpful.

- Fifty percent of all contacts reported that at least half of their students showed improved academic performance.

- Seventy percent of all contacts reported im-



proved performance in life skills for those students involved in SIS programs. SIS students also indicated significant overall improvement in attitudes toward school and to learning in general.

- All respondents reported that the public awareness campaign had a dramatic and positive impact in raising awareness of the dropout issue. No group reported any negative aspects of the campaign.

- Stay-in-School interventions were seen to be meeting the needs of at-risk students. Students reported, as major benefits of SIS programs: improvements in self confidence, work habits, life skills, academic skills, and the desire to continue with and to succeed in school.

- Successful programs emphasized a caring approach, through such efforts as peer counselling, tutoring, mentoring and job shadowing.

- Stay-in-School was developed as a national dropout prevention strategy composed of three components: public awareness, mobilization of stakeholders and programs and services. Due to end in March 1994, Stay-in-School was extended for 1994-95 with a budget of \$1.5 million as part of the new federal youth employment and learning strategy.

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# UN hears presentations regarding Lubicon

by Dale Stelter

The United Nations' Working Group on Indigenous Peoples recently heard two presentations regarding the case of the Lubicon Lake Cree of northern Alberta.

The working group is a sub-committee of the United Nations' Commission on Human Rights, and the meetings were held in Geneva.

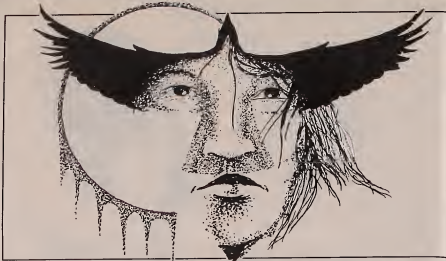
Jennifer Klimek, an Edmonton lawyer and co-chair of the Lubicon Settlement Commission of Review, and Sharon Venne, a Native lawyer from Edmonton, both spoke to the working group.

Klimek presented the working group with copies of the report released by the Lubicon Settlement Commission of Review last year. The Commission was set up in 1992 by the Alberta New Democrats, then the official opposition in the Alberta government, in an attempt to help resolve the Lubicon's decades-long land rights dispute.

Klimek told the working group that the Commission found "the Lubicon situation to be of the utmost urgency."

Klimek said that there were new hopes last October when the Progressive Conservatives were replaced as the government of Canada by the Liberals.

She said that during the election campaign, now-Prime Minister Jean Chretien wrote to the



Lubicon Settlement Commission of Review, saying, among other things, that future negotiations on the Lubicon case should reflect the intent of the Commission's recommendation "asserting that the extinguishment of Aboriginal rights must not be a condition for a settlement—a position consistent with Liberal policy."

Chretien also wrote that "... We support a swift resolution to all claims, and consider the Lubicon claim to be a priority."

Klimek pointed out that at the Liberal party's annual convention in May, a resolution was adopted that the settlement of the Lubicon claim be a priority for the government.

Klimek conveyed the Commission's disappointment regarding the most recent development of the Liberal government initiative, which came in the form of a July 11 letter from Indian Affairs Minister Ron Irwin to Lubicon Chief Bernard Ominayak (see article page 6).

Klimek stated that "Their offer to negotiate is unacceptable.... We are surprised and dismayed that the "new" government, which had promised so much, has delivered so little."

She said that matters already agreed upon

with the former government, such as retaining unextinguished Aboriginal land rights as a precondition of settlement talks, were "being wiped off the table."

Sharon Venne agreed that Jean Chretien, prior to becoming prime minister, had made some very positive statements regarding the Lubicon case. However, Venne said, "positive feelings are giving way to the reality of the situation". She also referred to Irwin's July 11 letter to Chief Ominayak.

Venne said that the Lubicon have never been prepared to discuss with the government a settlement of their case based upon the notion that the Lubicon would extinguish their land rights.

"The Lubicon Cree have been waiting for over fifty years for the Government of Canada to come to the table in open, fair and honest negotiations," Venne said.

Jennifer Klimek said that the meetings, at which presentations were made regarding other indigenous peoples around the world, served as an information session. She added that while in Geneva, she found that there certainly was support for the Lubicon, and interest in their case.

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# B.C. Natives angry over shooting death

by Ryan Edwards

Angry Natives in British Columbia are asking serious questions in the aftermath of the shooting death of Joe Peters, a Native artist and carver.

Peters, a Kwagwiltz Indian, was shot and killed in Courtenay early this month, by an RCMP officer. Police were investigating a report of a stabbing of a local man by Peters.

Peters had been released about two weeks earlier from a hospital in Comox, after four days of observation, despite the fact that Peters' friends and family had warned hospital staff that he suffered from paranoid delusions.

Native leaders are asking why Peters was released so quickly, and why he was not held at



## Brighter future

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abusing solvents or inhalants. The report will assist in the selection of two solvent abuse residential treatment programs.

A study on early intervention programming is being done through the Next Generation Solvent Abuse Community Intervention and Resource Project, managed by the Round Lake Treatment Centre of Armstrong, B.C. Round Lake established two teams of trained youth and addiction workers to spend up to three months in communities experiencing solvent abuse problems. The intervention approach is based on community involvement, including direct programming with youth and their families and the development of community resources for early intervention.

Across Canada a number of workshops, conferences and meetings have provided awareness and training on solvent abuse prevention, intervention and treatment.

"Our children are our future" is a slogan that has been used for years by First Nations and Inuit people to advocate improved health programs for children.

Another area that has been targeted by the Government of Canada's Brighter Futures Child Development Initiative is the promotion of healthy babies, with an emphasis on enhancing existing programs, parent and service providers education.

The initiative's First Nations and Inuit Healthy Babies program stresses prenatal nutrition, the promotion of breast feeding and the prevention and treatment of anaemia and rickets in infants.

Other elements include regular medical examinations, information sessions on the dangers of alcohol and tobacco use during pregnancy, and the early detection of prenatal infections. Training programs for community health workers are also being developed.

On a national level, First Nation and Inuit committees are developing a framework on healthy babies and child health goals. Videos to promote post natal care, healthy babies, parenting, and breast feeding have been developed for community use. Resource materials are available on many issues, for example baby bottle, teeth, and nutrition during pregnancy. In Alberta and the Yukon, a post-partum parent support program will provide training for community health representatives and nurses. This training is also available to other regions.

National organizations, including the Assembly of First Nations, Aboriginal Nurses and Pauktuutit, are working in partnership with the National Office on Child Health to determine the appropriateness of child health programs and resources, and in the development of resources and preparation of statistical information on the health of Aboriginal children.

The Brighter Futures Healthy Babies program, through national and community projects, aims at improving the physical, mental and social health of First Nations and Inuit children. Though the program is only in the implementation stage, it is already making a difference. In the long term, it will help provide a healthier future for First Nations and Inuit children across Canada.

For more information on Brighter Futures, contact your local First Nations office or the Health Canada Medical Services regional office.

the hospital until family members were notified and could pick him up.

Peters' wife told the *Vancouver Sun* that she phoned the hospital and begged that Peters not be released, but was told that doctors had found nothing wrong with him. A brother-in-law of Peters' from Victoria also told hospital physicians about Peters' paranoia. The brother-in-law said he had planned to pick Peters up from the hospital, and was quoted as saying "The hospital assured me this would happen and I never got any calls to say he was going to be released."

Local Indian leaders wanted to know why police didn't shoot Peters in the arm or leg, or wait Peters out or wait for psychiatric help.

Peters was acknowledged as a talented and respected artist. There will be an inquest into his death.

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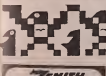
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